SYNOPSIS OF ACTIONS
May 4-5, 2012 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Holiday Inn Resort, Lake George

ACTION ITEMS

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23. Approved the NYSPHSAA 2012-2013 budget not including the Executive Director's salary and Pension benefits.
24. Approved the Budget and Audit Committee's written financial policies as they pertain to mileage and meal reimbursement, Past President travel reimbursement, memorials and gifts effective September 1, 2012.
25. Approved an amendment to the Past President travel reimbursement policy that the NYSPHSAA will cover the expenses for two nights lodging at the Central Committee meeting.
26. Approved with section/league approval, Modified General Eligibility Rule #10 shall be edited to allow multi-school contests and invitationalals to award place ribbons to the top competitors.
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28. Approved Monday, August 27, 2012 as the start date for all fall modified sports in Section 4.
29. Approved an editorial addition will be made to Modified 11-Man Football Game Rule #2, following sentence #5.
30. Defeated with section/league approval, a Modified/JV 2-year pilot program may be used when a JV program does not exist in a school district.
31. Approved to keep the current 2011-2012 Officials Fees and Policies in place for the 2012-2013 school year.
32. Approved all wrestlers will be certified to a minimum weight during the minimum weight certification program.
33. Approved to include entry fees as a permissible expense.
34. Approved clarifying language to the Representation Regulation.
35. Approved adding language to the Senior All Star Regulation.
36. Approved adding ONE CONTEST PER DAY along with the event limitations for Badminton, Gymnastics, Swimming and Outdoor and Indoor Track to the Sports Standards Chart.
37. Approved the separation agreement with our Treasurer, Kathleen Higle.
38. Approved to accept the Compensation Committee report.
39. Approved adjournment of the May 2012 Executive Committee meeting.
NEW YORK STATE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES
Holiday Inn Resort, Lake George
May 4-5, 2012

The Executive Committee meeting was called to order by President Mark Ward at 1:40PM on May 4, 2012. A moment of silence was held for Todd Heimer, Executive Director of Section 8 and Jack Jones, a longstanding member of the NYSPHSAA Executive Committee who have passed away since our January meeting. Happy Birthday was sung to Nick DeCillis (11) in honor of his 80th birthday. Executive Director Nina VanErk introduced members of the Executive Committee and took attendance.

Officers & Staff
President Mark Ward
First Vice President Eileen Troy
Second Vice President Stephen Broadwell
Executive Director Nina Van Erk
Assistant Director Robert Stulmaker
Assistant Director Todd Nelson
Director of Marketing & Media Joe Altieri
Treasurer Kathleen Higle
Counsel Renee James
Secretary Sandra Schanck

Past Presidents
Kathryn Faber
Karen Lopez (Friday)

Section Representatives
Section 1: Dave Goddard (proxy for Scott Mosenthal), Karen Peterson
Section 2: Elizabeth Hemstead, Robert McGuire
Section 3: Michael Carboine, Barbara Felice
Section 4: Ed Redmond (Friday only), Julie Bergman
Section 5: Dennis O'Brien, Kim Henshaw
Section 6: Don Scholla, Cindy Bullis
Section 7: Joe Staves, Patricia Ryan-Curry
Section 8: Dominick Vulpis, Chris Ceruti
Section 9: Jim Osborne (proxy for Jim Wolfe)
Section 10: Lori Brewer, Paul Harrica
Section 11: Lisa Lally, Nick DeCillis

Section Executive Directors
Doug Kenyon (2)
John Rathbun (3)
Timm Slade (6)
Karen Lopez (7) (Friday)
Carl Normandin (10) (Friday)
Ed Cinelli (11)

Ex-Officio & Consultants
Jim Rose, Co-Coord.-Modified Committee &
President-NYS Council of Administrators
Alan Mallanda, Ex. Director-NYSAAA
Steve Young, President-NYSAAA

Guests
Greg Ransom

Treasurers
Jim Osborne (9)
A motion to approve the January 22, 2012 Executive Committee Meeting minutes and the January 31, 2012 Central Committee Meeting minutes as written carried. Harrica/Staves

ORAL AND PRINTED REPORTS WERE PRESENTED BY ASSOCIATION OFFICERS AND STAFF

President Mark Ward welcomed everyone to the meeting. He reported on his attendance at winter championships. He thanked and congratulated the winter sports coordinators and committees on how well their state championships were run. He reported he will be attending the NFHS summer meeting in Nashville and had been asked to be a moderator for a group meeting that will be discussing merging sports.

Executive Director Nina Van Erk reported on her attendance at various conferences, meetings and championships during the months of January through May and presented the following items of interest.

- **Skin Infection Legislation** – She and Kevin Banas had a meeting with Senator Zeldin’s staff of Suffolk County regarding his legislation to increase the awareness of spreading infectious disease in middle school and high school interscholastic sports. Proper protocol for disinfecting wrestling mats is also part of the legislation. They shared with him what the Association has already done regarding skin infection prevention and also suggested that we can create educational materials on skin infections to be distributed to our member schools.

- **The Benefits of an Interscholastic Athletic Program brochure** – She distributed a brochure she created for the NYS Council of Superintendents Conference and NYSSAA Conference which will help aid Athletic Administrators to promote and articulate the benefits of interscholastic athletics for their budget presentations.

- **2012-2014 NYSPHSAA Handbook** – will be delivered at all the athletic director workshops instead of being mailed to help reduce mailing costs.

- **NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame** - The 2012 Class of the NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame will be inducted at the August Central Committee meeting at the Fort William Henry Resort in Lake George (Section II). The seven inductees are Richard Bader (administrator), Louis Gianis (coach), Anthony Luciano (coach), Gina Maher (coach), David Martens (administrator), Judith Salerno (administrator) and Donald Snyder (administrator).

- **Referendum Vote** - The referendum vote on the Constitutional Revisions passed in all Sections. The changes will go into effect on August 1, 2012. Executive Committee members who acted as tellers for the referendum vote were thanked for their service.

- **Pension Plan Trustees** – The Budget and Audit Committee has recommended adding two additional members as trustees to the Pension Plan.

A motion to approve Stephen Broadwell and Paul Harrica shall be appointed as trustees of the NYSPHSAA Money Purchase Plan, further, that the proper Officers of the Employer shall act to notify them of their appointment carried. DeCillis/McGuire

- **Participation Survey** – The letters regarding the annual Participation Survey were mailed to all member schools. The deadline for submission is May 31, 2012.

- **Federation Basketball Tournament** – She is concerned about the financial success of the Federation Basketball Tournament. Its success relies strictly on attendance which is driven by local teams.

A motion to approve to support staff discussions with the NYS Federation representatives to seek changes to the basketball tournament structure to enhance attendance carried. Hemstead/Bergman

- **CSIET Advisory List**. The 2012-2013 CSIET Advisory List is now available on the CSIET website, www.csiet.org.

- **Mandatory Athletic Director Workshops** – The 2012-2013 schedule is complete for the mandatory workshops. Sections will have the opportunity to select key eligibility topics to be reviewed at their workshop. The dates are: August 27 – Section 6 @ Erie 1 BOCES; August 28 – Section 5 @ Honeoye Falls- Lima High School; September 13 – Section 11 @ Holbrook Golf Club; September 14 – Section 8 @
Robert E. Lupinski; September 19 – Section 7 @ Olympic Training Center; September 20 – Section 10 @ Cheel Arena; October 1 – Section 1 @ Ramada Inn-Fishkill; October 2 – Section 9 @ Wallkill High School; October 9 – Section 4 @ TBA; October 10 – Section 2 @ Van Patten Golf Club; October 11 – Section 3 @ Rusty’s Rail and October 16 – NYSPHSAA office. The meeting dates will be available on our website.

- **National Eating Disorders Association** – Representatives from the NEDA have reached out to the NYSPHSAA for support of bill A9122/S3142-B which would require health certificates and examinations be included as assessment of students for eating disorders in an effort to halt the progression of the illness. In light of the Association’s efforts with the Female Athlete Triad, she suggested supporting the legislation.

A motion to approve supporting the National Eating Disorders legislation carried.  
  
  Peterson/Staves

- **Baseball Bat Decertification** – As reported in the recent Albany Office Updates, the following bats have been decertified and are no longer compliant with the BBCOR regulation: the Reebok Vector TLS 33” and the Marucci CATS 33”.

- **Combining of Schools/Merged Programs** – At the March 5, 2012 meeting of the NYSCOSS Athletic Advisory Committee, the superintendents requested consideration to change the manner in which merged athletic teams are classified for competition. The Transfer and Classification of Non Public and Charter Schools Committees have discussed this in the past. Their recommendation is to count 50% of the enrollment of the merging school(s) to the full enrollment of the host school. After being discussed by the Executive Committee, it was recommended to classify merged programs by combining the enrollments of the participating schools by the following formula: 100% of the largest school and 50% of the other schools within the merger. This is to be taken back to the Sections for discussion for a possible vote at the Central Committee meeting in August.

- **Retroactive Action** – Section IX requested a reduction in the required number of Nordic and Alpine skiing contests from 6 to 2 because of the lack of snow.

A motion to approve by retroactive action, a reduction of the required number of contests in Alpine and Nordic Skiing from 6 to 2 for Section IX carried.  
  
  DeCillis/O’Brien

- **State Passes** – The 2012-2014 State Association passes will be distributed over the summer months. Also, during the summer, the Association will be issuing Lifetime Passes to the representatives that have met the approved criteria.

- **Executive and Central Committee - Future Meeting Dates** –
  
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**Assistant Director Robert Stulmaker**

**State Championships/Regionals 2011-2012**

- Financial summaries for the Fall and Winter season tournaments, as known to date, were included in the meeting packets.

**State Championships/Regionals 2012-2013**

- The updated schedule of known dates/sites for 2012-2013 was included in the meeting packets.

  Update: As of June 30, 2012, East Side Racquet Club (3), the site for Girls Tennis, is closing.

  A motion to approve both Boys and Girls Bowling Championships to be held at Strike N Spare Lanes (3) on March 2-3, 2013 carried.  
  
  Scholla/Brewer

  A motion to approve Section participation in 2012-2013 NYSPHSAA Championships and Regionals as per NYSPHSAA Constitution, Article V, #5 carried.  
  
  Redmond/Goddard

- **Future Dates/Sites** projections known to date were included in the meeting folders.

A motion to approve the Girls Basketball Championships to be held at Hudson Valley Community College (2) for
2014-2016 carried. Harrica/Ryan-Curry

State Sports Coordinators

A motion to approve the reappointment of Doug Courtright as Boys Golf State Coordinator effective September 1, 2012 through August 31, 2017 carried. Peterson/Bergman

Scholar/Athlete Team Award Program

- The totals for the Winter 2011-2012 season were 1,967 teams from 520 schools with 21,584 participants.
- A list of the Winter State Champions and their awards presenters were included in the meeting packets.
- The Spring 2012 deadline to apply for the Scholar/Athlete Team Award is Friday, May 18, 2012.
- The School of Distinction Award applications, in order to be placed on the NYSPHSAA “Academic Honor Roll”, are to be completed following the Spring 2012 deadline and must be received no later than June 30, 2012. Award winners will be announced at the Annual Meeting.

NYS Federation of Secondary Schools Athletic Association

- The Federation met on January 24, 2012.
- Congratulations to Cicero-North Syracuse HS (3) on being crowned Class AA Girls Federation Champions and to Irvington HS (1) on being crowned Class B Girls Federation Champion.
- The next meeting is May 14, 2012.

Community Service Challenge

- Schools should have submitted applications to their Section by May 1.
- Section winners are due to NYSPHSAA office by June 1.
- State winner will be announced in early June and recognized at the Central Committee meeting in August.

Assistant Director Todd Nelson

- Classification Cut-off Numbers — The NYSPHSAA office staff has looked at the classification cut-off numbers for the 2013-2014 school year. A comparison of the current classification cut-off numbers and the proposed classification cut-off numbers was presented. The comparison report was based on the 2012-2013 classification numbers. Note: There is no recommendation to change the classification cut-off numbers for Division I and II. There are no sports outside the variation sports that use a three class system.

A motion to approve the five class cut-off numbers for the 2013-2014 school year carried. Carboine/Redmond

The cut-off numbers are: Class AA: 910-up; Class A: 480-909; Class B: 280-479; Class C: 170-279; Class D: 169-below.

- Variation Sports — The office staff and sport committees are recommending that any proposed changes in the classification cut-off numbers for the variation sports be made at the October 2012 Executive Committee meeting. This will allow the staff and committees to use the most current data available based on school budget votes and the completion of the 2011-2012 participation survey. Any proposed change would be in effect for the 2013-2014 school year. Please note that football has requested to stay on their two-year cycle and would not have any changes from the current classification cut-off numbers for the 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 seasons. This is due to their desire to keep home and away schedules consistent for a two-year period.

- NFHS Free Courses — The NFHS offers many beneficial courses to coaches and school districts. Some of these courses are offered at no cost to the individual taking the course. These free courses include Concussion in Sports, Sportsmanship, The Role of the Parent in Sports, and A Guide to Heat Acclimatization and Heat Illness (coming in June 2012). All of these courses and the many others offered by the NFHS can be found by visiting the following website, www.nfhslearn.com.

- NYSPHSAA Sport Clinics — As reported over the last couple of years, attendance at our clinics has been declining. A few clinics have had to be cancelled due to lack of registered coaches. The NYSPHSAA
strongly believes in professional development for our coaches and school personnel and is committed to bringing those opportunities to our member schools. We have decided that it would be more effective and financially responsible to offer our coaches professional development through webinars and on-line videos starting with the 2012-2013 school year. Individuals will be able to gain knowledge for a fraction of the cost to attend an in person clinic. He will be meeting with the Clinic Committees in June to talk about the schedule and potential speakers for the 2012-2013 school year. The webinars and web videos can be a mix of power point presentations and actual demonstrations from area student athletes or college athletes. More information will be provided at the August Central Committee meeting.

There is still one more clinic for this school year. The Boys and Girls Soccer Clinic will be held on June 1, 2012 at the SportPlex in Clifton Park, NY. To obtain a registration form, go to www.nysphsaa.org/news/clinics.asp.

- **NYSPHSAA Record Website** — The record website has been revamped and the process improved to update our records. It now offers the most up to date records by each specific sport in a PDF format. Each sport record can be downloaded from the website and used by sport booster clubs, schools, coaches, players and parents. Please view the website at www.nysphsaa.org.

If we are missing any records or the information we have is incorrect, individuals are encouraged to download the Record Reporting Form and send it to Todd Nelson in the NYSPHSAA office. We will work diligently to update the record and/or correct any of the information.

**Director of Marketing & Media Joe Altieri** reported on his attendance at various meetings, championships and conference calls.

**Winter 2012 Championships**

- Programs showed a net profit that was more than $15,000 higher than last year due to a significant increase in advertising.
- A minimum revenue of $52,000 is expected in souvenir sales even though not all winter reports are in.
- Time Warner Cable broadcast the Ice Hockey and Boys & Girls Basketball Championships live.
- Radio/Internet revenues were $5,900.
- We sold 924 tickets online through TicketLeap resulting in an additional $924 due to a $1 convenience fee for every ticket sold.

**Spring 2012 Championships — Preliminary Report**

- Per spring bids, souvenir vendors have guaranteed at least $49,900 in total bids.
- For the third year, Time Warner Cable will broadcast the Boys and Girls Lacrosse Championships live.

**Corporate Sponsorships**

- **Time Warner** — Our contract expires this August. Discussions have begun to renew the contract. We are currently exploring the possibility of a statewide package to include Regional games (NYSPHSAA quarterfinals) where sections could financially benefit. The Section Executive Directors discussed this at their meeting today.
- The following sponsors provided “Contributing” sponsorships of cash or in-kind for the winter championships: Hilton, Hotel Albany, Carnation, Chertow Wrestling, Executive Cleaning, MF, Navy, Pointstreak, Haise Sports Supply, Journeyman, WW Sport Supply, Sanitech and Albany Broadcasting. Total cash sponsorships for winter were approximately $39,000. Additionally he sold $6,200 for the Federation Basketball Tournament.
- **CSEA/NYSPHSAA Excelsior Award** — CSEA and the Association are once again promoting the 3rd annual Excelsior Award intended for CSEA non-coaching members in NYSPHSAA member schools who are making significant contributions to the athletic program in their districts. The updated application is available on our website. He encouraged schools to apply soon, as the deadline is July 1st.
Public Relations

- The Hall of Fame press release was included in the meeting packet. Other press releases distributed dealt with spring championship schedules, clinics and sponsors.

Marketing

- Television campaigns will be executed for Girls and Boys Lacrosse this spring thanks to funding from our Time Warner Cable partnership.
- Radio campaigns have been executed for Baseball and Softball this spring in Binghamton and Glens Falls.
- With assistance from our office intern, we were able to engage in a new project with regards to a radio PSA. Thanks to the NFHS and their partnership with the NIAAA and 360Group, we were able to mail out 300 Association branded radio commercials that were supplied along with a turnkey letter and survey.

Spring/Summer Intern

- Shawn Ryan, a UAlbany and Stillwater (Section 2) graduate, recently completed a full-time spring internship with the Association handling various marketing duties. We thank Shawn for his time and effort.
- Jason Sherwood, a junior communications major at Ithaca College and Guilderland (Section 2) graduate, will begin a part-time summer internship starting in late May.

Treasurer Kathy Higle reviewed the Treasurer’s report highlighting the following:

- Strong investment income combined with lower than anticipated increases in the post retirement health benefit liability should allow the Association to finish 2012 at slightly better than breakeven.
- Our post retirement health benefit liability will be reviewed by an actuary this year to bring it to current actuarial standards. This will probably result in a shift in the liability which could be either an increase or decrease.
- Dues will be slightly lower due to a variation in student numbers against an increase in six new members and resignations of two members.
- Championship revenues should finish the year close to budget.
- Rulebook sales continue to decrease as schools order fewer books.
- Clinics are operating near breakeven, not including overhead.
- Online coaching certification should contribute $8,000 this year.
- Sponsorships should come in $75,000 better than budget as the budget only contains known contracts at the time the budget is approved.
- Dues for 2012-2013 will be at the actual dollar amounts paid for 2011-2012. No adjustments will be made for changes in student numbers.
- The audit for 2010 is available. You may email her if you have not received a copy. The audit report for 2011 should be available soon. The 990 for 2011 will be available in July.
- She reviewed the 5-year cash flow projection which points to a positive trend in the future because we are addressing our situation of negative assets.

Counselor Renee James

- She gave an update on the lawsuit where we are being sued by an official because he was removed from the official organization of which he was a member. He claimed the Association didn’t do anything to help him. As he is pro se, we have to go through the legal procedure. A motion has been filed to dismiss.
- She reminded that our officials’ agreement now includes an arbiter from the American Arbitration Association on the Arbitration Panel.
- She reported she is working with the Section Executive Directors for uniformity in their officials’
contracts.

- She reported we are still waiting for a decision on immaculate Heart Central's (3) lawsuit which involves their classification as a non-public school and the moving up of their football team.
- She reported on a decision which stated the NYSPHSAA and its Sections are considered governmental bodies for purposes of the Freedom of Information Law and the Open Meetings Law. The decision was based on an interpretation that the Commissioner’s Regulations are required to be used in school districts who offer interscholastic activities. Schools are also required to follow our rules; therefore we come under the Open Meetings Law. She recommended everyone follow the criteria of the Open Meetings Law.
- She reported there are two appeals pending before the Commissioner of Education. One is regarding a student with a disability who is requesting a fifth year of eligibility and the second is an appeal by Hoosick Falls (2) that involves the ineligibility of an eighth grade student who was not selectively classified.
- She reported a database is being developed by attorneys from every state that will include decisions on cases in their state. She will be working with the Section Executive Directors to develop a similar database for New York.

Audit Report – Frank Venezia, Marvin and Co.
- Stated they are the CPA firm that audits the Association.
- Distributed and reviewed a draft financial statement of the year ended August 31, 2011.
- Reported the Association had been issued a clean/unqualified opinion.
- The final report will be issued in the middle of May.

AD HOC COMMITTEES

Cheerleading – Executive Director Nina Van Erk presented the report.
- The committee was convened to outline how a competition would be structured if approved by the NYSPHSAA Executive Committee. This effort is a result of the lack of action by the Board of Regents to move forward to make cheerleading a sport.
- Each committee member reviewed what types of competitions are sponsored or provided in their respective Sections.
- The committee developed criteria for a NYSPHSAA sponsored cheer event.
- The committee recommends approval of this event so it may be scheduled during the 2012-2013 school year.

A motion was made to host NYSPHSAA East and West Cheerleading Invitationals for the 2012-2013 school year.

A motion to amend to host NYSPHSAA East and West Cheerleading Invitationals for the 2012-2013 school year as a one year pilot program to be evaluated after one year carried. Brewer/Lally

(The votes by Section were: Section 1: 2 yes; Section 2: 2 yes; Section 3: 2 yes; Section 4: 2 no; Section 5: 2 yes; Section 6: 2 no; Section 7: 2 yes; Section 8: 2 yes; Section 9: 1 yes; Section 10: 2 yes; Section 11: 2 yes. 17 Yes/4 No)

Transfer Committee – Executive Director Nina Van Erk presented the report.
- The committee discussed the merits of eliminating the Financial Hardship Waiver. Due to the one transfer without penalty, many sections are not receiving many, if any requests for financial waivers. Even though there are few requests, Renee felt there is a need to keep the waiver in place. A motion to eliminate the Financial Hardship Waiver was defeated by the committee.
- There was much discussion regarding the elimination of the Academic Hardship Waiver. Many felt that there were unique situations that warranted approval. A concern was raised that without the
specific guidelines, the uniform application of the rule that has been established would disappear. The members of the committee agreed. Renee suggested postponing action until a decision was reached on current litigation. A motion to table any action on the elimination of the Academic Hardship Waiver passed unanimously by the committee. A motion to extend the postponement of the implementation of the Academic Advantage language change for the 2012-2013 school year passed unanimously by the committee.

A **motion to approve** extending the postponement of the implementation of the Academic Advantage language change for the 2012-2013 school year **carried.** Harrica/McGuire

- A future item for discussion will address the concern when families establish a new residence for athletic purposes.

**SPORT COMMITTEE REQUESTS**

- **Boys Lacrosse**
  A **motion to approve** a waiver to NFHS rule 2-5-2, to permit officials to wear black shorts **carried.** Lally/Carboine

- **Boys and Girls Volleyball**
  A **motion to approve** a waiver to NCAA rule 12-1-3-1, to allow a solid libero shirt for the 2012-2014 seasons **carried.** Bullis/Redmond

- **Softball**
  A **motion to approve** a waiver to ASA rule 3-1D to keep the bat grip at 10” to 15” **carried.** Hermstead/Harrica

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**Status of State Championships**

- It was not the intent of Section 11 to ask for a moratorium on all State Championships beginning with the 2013-2014 school year. They were bringing forth a request by a number of athletic directors from their Section the issue of state tournament site selection to the Executive Committee to look for ways to reduce the huge cost in travel expenses for their Section to attend State Championships.

**Sites of State Championships**

- There was a concern with how championship sites are selected and should the process be revisited.
- It was suggested that there be a change in the travel reimbursement structure such as reimbursing schools who travel farther at a higher rate and those that are closer to the site at a lower rate. In the future, the Section Executive Directors will propose an alternative method.

**Elimination of Section uniforms in all sports and letting athletes wear their school uniforms at State Championships.**

- Each Section was asked for their feeling on this issue.
  Section 1: In favor in the sport of Wrestling but can be a disadvantage in Cross Country
  Section 2: Has no complaint with section uniforms
  Section 3: In favor of school uniforms
  Section 4: Has no complaint with section uniforms
  Section 5: In favor of school uniforms
  Section 6: In favor of school uniforms
  Section 7: In favor of school uniforms
  Section 8: In favor of section uniforms
  Section 9: Has no complaint with section uniforms
  Section 10: If it is an identification issue, wear school uniforms
  Section 11: In favor of school uniforms

A **motion to approve** the elimination of Section uniforms in all sports and therefore requiring athletes to wear their school uniforms at State Championships even if a sponsor provides them **carried.** Peterson/Lally
(The votes by Section were: Section 1: 2 yes; Section 2: 2 no; Section 3: 2 yes; Section 4: 2 no; Section 5: 2 yes; Section 6: 2 yes; Section 7: 2 yes; Section 8: 2 no; Section 9: 1 no; Section 10: 2 yes; Section 11: 2 yes. 14 Yes/7 No)

CLARIFICATION - SCHOOL UNIFORMS vs SECTION UNIFORMS:
- After much discussion with the Section Executive Directors and confirmation by the NYSPHSAA Officers, the following clarification is being shared regarding the action taken by the NYSPHSAA Executive Committee.
- Many sections have already obtained section uniforms or have secured sponsorship for section shirts for this spring's championship events.

INTERPRETATION:
- Due to the tight window of notification, the implementation of the "School Uniform Requirement" rule will go into effect with the 2012-2013 school year.
- Therefore for this upcoming Boys Tennis and Boys and Girls Golf Championships athletes may compete in section uniforms or school uniforms.

Suggestions for cost reductions and increased revenue
- Cheerleading
- Collective bussing

A motion to enter into Executive Session on Friday, May 4, 2012 at 5:00PM for employee discussions carried. Harrica/Lally

A motion to end the Executive Session on Friday, May 4, 2012 at 5:48PM carried. Felice/McGuire

A motion to adjourn the Executive Committee meeting on Friday, May 4, 2012 at 5:49PM carried. DeCillis/Brewer

President Mark Ward resumed the Executive Committee meeting at 8:10AM on Saturday, May 5, 2012.

SECTION CONCERNS AND INPUT
Section 11 voiced a concern with the high cost of transportation for them to travel to state championships. They felt there should be a way a Section that is not centrally located can be selected for a state tournament when it submits a worthwhile bid. It was brought up that centralized locations for state championship sites was a previously approved action item that stated, “centralized sites should be considered as part of the bid process for state tournament site selection when it can be proven that cost savings outweigh other criteria”. It was also stated that the Executive Committee makes the final decision on site selections so if there are questions regarding the selection; they need to be asked at that time. It was suggested this be a discussion item at the August Central Committee meeting. They also reported on a potential Mixed Competition litigation.
Section 8 asked for a clarification of the Section/school uniform action item passed on Friday, May 4th. Section 7. A motion to approve the start date for Modified sports be August 23, 2012 carried. Ryan-Curry/DeCillis

Section 5 would like to see an adjustment to the mileage allowed to schools that don’t have the opportunity to host championships. They voiced a concern with the formula to be used when classifying small schools in the combining of schools/merged program. They inquired as to what other Sections use as criteria when determining the assessment of a boy who wants to participate on a girl’s volleyball team.

SECTION EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S CONCERNS AND INPUT
- They thanked Ed Redmond, who will be moving to Virginia, for his years of service to the Association.
• Reported Joe Altieri reviewed the Time Warner sponsorship with them. He is also trying to develop a contract that could benefit the Sections where Regionals will be hosted.
• Reported they are looking for additional ideas and/or concerns to be discussed at the mandatory Athletic Director’s workshops.
• They reviewed the concussion management legislation that is to be implemented this summer.
• They discussed Section 11’s concern with Mixed Competition and reported all Sections are struggling with it.
• They are working on a uniform Officials contract for all Sections to use as a template. Each Section would have the ability for an addendum to add whatever is pertinent to their Section, i.e. mileage, scrimmages.
• Discussed Section 6’s concern with combining of teams. Each Section was asked how they handle their combining of teams.
• Announced Section 9 is hosting a boy’s lacrosse event. Flyers were passed out.
• Reported there was discussion on cheerleading as we move forward with the East and West Cheer Invitational.

COMBINING OF SCHOOLS

The following combining school teams have been approved by their respective leagues and sections for the 2012-2013 school year, and are presented for your information. (Eligibility Standard #6)

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Turtle Hook & Lawrence Road
Levittown Division & MacArthur
Carey & New Hyde Park
Elmont, Floral Park & Sewanhaka
Elmont, Floral Park, Carey, New Hyde Park & Sewanhaka

Roslyn & Port Washington
Valley Stream North, Valley Stream Central &
Valley Stream South

9
Ellenville & Wawarsing Christian Academy

11
Southampton & Tuckahoe
East Islip & Cleary
Centereach & Newfield

Smithtown East & Smithtown West

Pierson & Bridgehampton

B. Swimming (Mod.)
B/G Bowling (Mod.)
B. Swimming
B. Swimming
Wrestling (V, JV)
Wrestling (V, JV)
G. Gymnastics (V)
B/G Bowling (V)
Rifle (V)
B. Swimming (V)
B. Swimming (V)

Rifle (V)
Gymnastics (V)
Fencing (V)

Field Hockey (All Levels)
Football (All Levels)
G. Volleyball (All Levels)
B/G Cross Country (All Levels)
B/G Soccer (All Levels)
B/G Indoor Track (All Levels)
Wrestling (All Levels)
B/G Basketball (All Levels)
Softball (All Levels)
B/G Spring Track (All Levels)
Baseball (All Levels)

All Sports (Mod. Level)
All Sports (Mod. Level)
B/G Cross Country (V)
B/G Bowling (V)
B/G Lacrosse (V, JV)
G. Track (V)
B/G Cross Country (V)
G. Gymnastics (V)
B. Bowling (V)

B. Cross Country (V, Mod.)
G. Cross Country (V)
Field Hockey (V, JV, Mod.)
B. Golf (V, JV)
B/G Soccer (V, JV, Mod.)
G. Tennis (JV, Mod.)
G. Volleyball (V, JV, Mod.)
G. Basketball (V, JV, Mod.)
Baseball (V, JV, Mod.)
Softball (V, JV, Mod.)
B/G Cross Country (Mod.)

Saxton & S. Ocean
East Hampton & Springs
Half Hollow Hills East & Half Hollow Hills West

Greenport, Southold & Shelter Island
Saxton, S. Ocean & Oregon
Easthampton & Bridgehampton

Easthampton, Bridgehampton & Pierson

Greenport, Southold, Mattituck & Shelter Island
Easthampton, Bridgehampton, Pierson, Springs & Montauk

Center Moriches & East Moriches
Southold & Greenport

Newfield & Centereach

Sachem East & Sachem North
Greenport & Shelter Island

East Hampton & Montauk
Brentwood & Bay Shore
Half Hollow Hills West & Half Hollow Hills East

Sayville & Bayport

G. Lacrosse (Mod.)
B. Tennis (Mod.)
B/G Track (Mod.)
B/G Cross Country (Mod.)
G. Cross Country (V)
Field Hockey (V, JV)
G. Gymnastics (V)
B. Soccer (JV2)
B/G Fencing (V)
B/G Badminton (V)
G. Lacrosse (V, JV)
Field Hockey (V, JV, Mod.)
Field Hockey (Mod.)
Football (V)
B. Volleyball (V, JV, Mod.)
B/G Winter Track (V)
G. Lacrosse (V)
B/G Track (V)
Football (JV)
B/G Swimming (V)
G. Tennis (V)
B. Bowling (V)
Wrestling (V, JV)
B. Lacrosse (V, JV)
G. Lacrosse (JV)
B. Tennis (V, JV, Mod.)
Football (V, JV, Mod.)
Wrestling (Mod.)
B/G Lacrosse (Mod.)
Football (Mod.)
B/G Tennis (V, JV, Mod.)
G. Basketball (V, JV)
Softball (V, JV)
G. Gymnastics (V)
B/G Tennis (V, Mod.)
B/G Winter Track (V)
B. Golf (V)
B. Track (V)
G. Gymnastics (V)
B. Soccer (V, JV, Mod.)
G. Soccer (Mod.)
G. Soccer (Mod.)
G. Swimming (V)
B/G Swimming (V)
B. Volleyball (V, JV)
B/G Swimming (V)
Deer Park & North Babylon  
Smithtown West & Smithtown East  
G. Swimming (V)  
B/G Swimming (V)  
G. Bowling (V)  
G. Golf (JV)  
Central Islip & Commack  
Beach & Udall  
G. Swimming (V)  
B/G Swimming (V)  
B/G Tennis (Mod.)  
B. Swimming (Mod.)  
Greenport & Southold  
G. Volleyball (V, JV)  
Wrestling (Mod.)  
Brentwood & Bayport  
Ross & Pierson  
B. Fencing (V)  
B/G Winter Track (V)  
B/G Track (V)  
Mattituck & Greenport  
Wrestling (V)  
B/G Track (Mod.)  
Mattituck, Greenport & Southold  
Wrestling (JV)  
Accompsett, Great Hollow & Nesaquake  
G. Gymnastics (Mod.)  
G. Gymnastics (Mod.)  
Sagamore & Sequoya  
B. Swimming (Mod.)  
G. Gymnastics (Mod.)  
Seneca & Samoset  
B. Swimming (Mod.)  
Mattituck, Southold & Greenport  
B/G Lacrosse (V, JV, Mod.)  
S. Ocean & Saxton  
B. Lacrosse (Mod.)  
Candlewood & West Hollow  
B. Swimming (Mod.)  
Oakdale & Ronkonkoma  
B. Swimming (Mod.)  
Gelinas & Murphy  
B. Swimming (Mod.)  
Nesaquake, Great Hollow & Accompsett  
B. Tennis (Mod.)  
East Hampton, Springs & Bridgehampton  
B. Track (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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4 06-11-12  Dave Sammon Sr. All-Star Game-B. Lacrosse
5 06-04-12  Finger Lakes East Sr. All-Star Game-Baseball
6 03-17-12  Silver Hoops-B. Basketball
            06-12-12  Chautauqua County Sr. All-Star Game-Baseball
            06-14-12  Chautauqua County Sr. All-Star Game-Sofball
7 03-16-12  MVAC Senior Game-B/G Basketball

FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS
A motion to approve the following applications for NYSPHSAA Friend and Neighbor status carried.  
Hemstead/Lally

Section 2  
Grapeville Christian School  
2416 CR 26  
Climax, NY 12042  
Grades 7-12

Section 2  
The King’s School  
PO Box 300  
Lake Luzerne, NY 12846  
Grades 7-12

Section 4  
Chemung Valley Montessori School  
23 Winters Road  
Elmira, NY 14903  
Grades 7-8

Section 8  
Long Island Lutheran Middle & High School  
131 Brookville Road  
Brookville, NY 11545  
Grades 7-12

NEW MEMBERS
A motion to approve the following applications for NYSPHSAA membership carried. Osborn/Vulpis

Section 5  
Siena Catholic Academy  
2617 East Avenue  
Rochester, NY 14610  
Grades 7-8

Section 5  
Uncommon Schools-Rochester Prep  
630 Brooks Avenue  
Rochester, NY 14619  
Grades 7-8

Section 9  
The Mount Academy  
151 Bowne Drive  
Walden, NY 12586  
Grades 9-11

ORAL AND/OR PRINTED REPORTS WERE PRESENTED BY THE FOLLOWING STANDING COMMITTEES

Budget. 1st Vice President Eileen Troy presented the proposed 2012-2013 budget and highlighted the following:
• The calculations for the 2012-2013 dues are frozen. Schools will be paying the same dollar amount as the 2011-2012 dues.
• There will be a slight increase in championship revenue due to the East/West Cheer event.
• Sponsorships are doing very well.
• Expenditures are down due to the Executive Director’s salary has not been determined, meeting and travel expenses have been reduced, the Treasurer’s position has been reduced to part-time, the Government Relations position has been eliminated, employee wages were frozen for a year, a reduction in contributions to the Pension, a reduction in the Marketing budget, and a reduction in the Post Retirement Health benefit due to health insurance costs rising only 2% instead of the 12% budgeted.
• Other expenses were reduced for Executive/Central Committee meetings due to a proposed $.10 reduction in the IRS mileage reimbursement and Sport Coordinators will not be attending this Augusts’ Central Committee meeting. In the Scholar/Athlete program, increasing the GPA and issuing certificates instead of pins to reduce costs will be looked at.

A motion to approve the NYSPHSAA 2012-2013 budget not including the Executive Director’s salary and Pension benefits carried.

DeCillis/Henshaw

Budget & Audit Committee. 1st Vice President Eileen Troy presented the report and committee’s recommendations.

Review of 2010 Audit
• Frank Venezia, Marvin & Co., reviewed the 2010 audit in detail. In the opinion letter, he advised the Association to have an actuary perform the calculation for the Post Retirement Health Benefit. He recommended this be completed every three years. The committee recommended that an actuary perform this calculation. He updated the committee on the progress of the 2011 audit and speculated that it would be completed in early May.

Pension Plan
• The committee recommends that two additional members be added as pension Trustees.

2012-2013 Budget
• The proposed budget for the 2012-2013 school year was presented by Eileen Troy. It contained no salary increase for staff members, reduction in pension contributions, reduction of the Treasurer’s position to part time, the elimination of the Director of Government Relations and a $2,000 increase in the legal counsel retainer. The budget contains reductions in staff travel/conferences, postage, printing, and mileage and meal reimbursement.

A motion to approve the Budget and Audit Committee’s written financial policies as they pertain to mileage and meal reimbursement, Past President travel reimbursement and memorials and gifts effective September 1, 2012 carried.

Harrica/Bergman

A motion to approve an amendment to the Past President travel reimbursement policy that the NYSPHSAA will cover the expenses for two nights lodging at the Central Committee meeting carried. DeCillis/Osborne

Insurance
• The committee questioned the need to include the Sections in the NYSPHSAA insurance policy. The Sections are billed for their portion of the premium. The Sections were polled and only Section 8 and 11 have additional insurance beyond what is offered by Cool (General Liability) and Loomis and Lapann (Directors and Officers). Nina was asked to inquire what the premium would be for the Association without the Sections being included. She stated John Snow from Cool Insuring Agency (General Liability) was reaching out to the carrier for that information. Greg Joly from Loomis and Lapann (Directors and Officers) stated it would be more expensive and problematic. He said there is more safety and control because the Sections follow our control. There is a $10,000 deductible that is shared with the Sections. If the Association and the Sections were to have separate policies, both would be responsible for the deductible.

Cash Flow Analysis
• The committee requested a 5 year cash flow analysis and provided Kathy Higle the parameters in which to base the projections from. It was included in the meeting packets.

Internal Audit
• The NYSPHSAA Executive Committee granted approval for an internal audit. The committee recommends that a risk assessment be performed followed by a review of financial policies and procedures. The audit will take place beginning Monday, May 14th.

Life of an Athlete. Assistant Director Bob Stulmaker presented the report.
• The Life of an Athlete Committee meeting was held on March 15, 2012 at the NYSAAA Conference in
Saratoga.

- John Underwood gave the committee an update of new information.
- The committee will forward important information to the Association office to be put on the website in time for the fall athletic season. This should serve as a clearinghouse of information for educators, students and parents.
- They are concerned about the lack of attendance at their meetings. Bob will be working with the Section Executive Directors to get commitments for Sections representatives.
- John Underwood is hosting a summer update session June 14-17 at the Olympic Training Center in Lake Placid. This is also a student-leadership training session. Go to his Facebook page, www.facebook.com/pages/American-Athletic-Institute-Life-of-an-Athlete/157110224306768, for applications and information.
- The Fall meeting of the Life of an Athlete Committee is scheduled for Monday, October 15, 2012 at 10AM via telephone conference. The Spring meeting will be held on March 14, 2013 at 3PM at the NYSAAA Conference in Saratoga.

**Modified Committee.** Jim Rose, Co-Coordinator presented the report.

- A synopsis of the committee’s March 30, 2012 meeting was included in the meeting packets.

**Action Items**

A motion to approve with section/league approval, Modified General Eligibility Rule #10 (Reference: NYSPHSAA Handbook, page 132) shall be edited to allow multi-school contests and invitational to award place ribbons to the top competitors carried. Bergman/Carboine

(The votes by Section were: Section 1: 2 no; Section 2: 2 yes; Section 3: 2 yes; Section 4: 1 yes; Section 5: 2 yes; Section 6: 2 yes; Section 7: 2 no; Section 8: 2 yes; Section 9: 1 no; Section 10: 2 no; Section 11: 2 no. 11 Yes/9 No)

A motion to approve the following Modified start dates carried. DeCillis/McGuire

- Section III: Fall starting date of Monday, August 27, 2012 for modified sports
- Section V: Fall starting dates of Wednesday, August 29, 2012 for Livingston football, soccer, volleyball and cross country; Genesee Region football, Finger Lakes football, Allegany County football, soccer and volleyball
- Section X: Fall starting date of August 27, 2012 for all fall sports.

A motion to approve Monday, August 27, 2012 as the start date for all fall Modified sports in Section 4 carried. Bergman/Osborne

A motion to approve an editorial addition will be made to 11-Man Football Game Rule #2, following sentence #5, as follows carried. Scholla/Lally

“Motion is allowed towards the two receiver side of the formation, provided the ball is snapped before the player in motion crosses the midline of the formation.”

A motion was defeated that with section/league approval, a Modified/JV program 2-year pilot program may be used when a JV program does not exist in a school district. Sections/leagues implementing this pilot program must declare their intention to do so to their modified section representatives and must be willing to participate in pilot program evaluation requested by the NYSPHSAA. The following requirements must be followed for implementation: Grade Levels: 7-8-9; Season starting dates: the modified start dates; Minimum practices: HS grid (page 108 NYSPHSAA Handbook); Maximum number of games: HS grid; Nights rest: HS grid; Games per day: HS grid; Game length: Modified rules; Overtime: Modified rules; Sport Rules: Modified rules in Handbook, as agreed upon in each Section; Maximum 3 games per week will be waived, providing that one game is on a day in which there is no school the next day. Hemstead/Bullis

**Information Items**

- The use of pitch counts in modified baseball was discussed, but no change in the existing innings limitations for modified pitchers was made.
- The modified football pilot program that would allow use of the kick-off was defeated soundly.
• Reminded the distance that modified cross-country runners utilize for the first half of the season is 1 ½ miles; it increases to two miles for the second half of the season.
• Reminded modified and high school swimmers cannot compete in the pool at the same time for the same event at combined HS/Modified meets, even if there is a larger 8-lane pool.
• The committee discussed the new Selection/Classification process. Their biggest concern with the new process was the President’s Council for Physical Fitness test seems to be easier to pass than the current test offered.
• Reported they are still in need of a modified sport coordinator for girls’ gymnastics and a boys’ and girls’ tennis coordinator. If anyone is interested, please contact him.
• The Fall meeting of the Modified Committee is scheduled for Friday, October 5, 2012 at 9:30AM in the NYSPHSAA office. The Spring meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 12, 2013 at 9:30AM in the NYSPHSAA office.

**Championship Advisory Committee.** Assistant Director Bob Stulmaker presented the report and recommendations of the committee.

A motion to approve to keep the current 2011-2012 Officials Fees and Policies in place for the 2012-2013 school year carried.  

**Ryan-Curry/McGuire**

**Safety Committee.** Assistant Director Todd Nelson presented the report.

**Concussion Management**
• The Association is awaiting the guidance documents from the State Education Department and the Department of Health. Once these documents are available, the office staff plans on providing a webinar to all of our member schools on the specific requirements that are associated with the Concussion Management Law that goes into effect on July 1, 2012. We will also develop a pamphlet that our member schools can use to distribute to parents to increase awareness and start the education process for parents. This pamphlet will help meet a requirement already established by the Law. We will keep our member schools posted as the information becomes available.

**Nights Rest for Football**
• A motion made during the Safety Committee meeting to increase the nights rest between scrimmages to 4 nights, which would have matched the nights rest required between games was defeated 0-11 by the representatives. The Safety Committee would like to remind all athletic directors and coaches that if they are conducting a scrimmage they must follow the guidelines on page 114, #a-k, in the NYSPHSAA Handbook.

**Minimum Weight Certification Program**
• The Safety Committee reviewed the recommendation from the Wrestling Advisory Committee to continue to certify wrestlers to a minimum weight as opposed to a minimum weight class.

A motion to approve a recommendation made by the Safety Committee, Wrestling Advisory Committee and supported by the Wrestling Committee that all wrestlers will be certified to a minimum weight during the minimum weight certification program carried.  

**Carbine/Bergman**

**Modified Recommendations**
• The Safety Committee reviewed the JV/Modified pilot program and does not have any safety concerns with the program as outlined by the Modified Committee.

**Anyone Can Save a Life**
• The Safety Committee reviewed a program entitled “Anyone Can Save a Life”. This program is designed to help coaches make a predetermined action plan with their players in case of an emergency. A website and some documentation were shared with the committee. Representatives were asked to take the information back to the Sections for further input. Anyone interested in learning more can visit http://www.anyonecansavealife.org/.
**Handbook Committee.** Executive Director Nina Van Erk presented the report and committee recommendations.

- The committee met on April 18, 2012 via conference call.
- President Mark Ward will be appointing an additional person to the committee over the summer.

**Amateur Rule**

- The committee reviewed the proposal to add “entry fee” to the Amateur Rule as a permissible expense. NYSPHSAA Handbook, page 91-Amateur #1-Competing for money or other compensation (allowable entry fees, travel, meals and lodging expenses may be accepted). Rationale: In some sports, such as bowling, the entry fees are provided for the next round if the student athlete qualifies.

A motion to approve to include entry fees as a permissible expense carried.  
Hemstead/Carbone

**Transfer Rule**

- The committee weighed the need to include the term “custody” to the Transfer Rule, specifically to the Exemption #3. At this point, Renee does not feel that we should add a reference to custody. If a student athlete can produce evidence of a court order, each circumstance can be reviewed by the Section under the parameters of undue hardship.

**Representation Regulation for Team/Individual Sports**

- Nina pointed out that the Representation Regulation needed to be clarified to assist athletic administrators in properly interpreting and applying the regulation.

A motion to approve the following language change to the Representation Regulation for Team/Individual Sports carried.  
Scholla/Felice

“To be eligible for sectional, intersectional or state competition, a team must have competed in six (6) school scheduled contests which occurred on six different dates during the season.

**TEAM SPORTS** – For the sports of baseball, basketball, field hockey, football, ice hockey, lacrosse, soccer, softball and volleyball, an individual is eligible for the team if he/she has been an eligible participant on a team in that sport in that school for a minimum of six (6) scheduled contests during the regular season. For football, a student must be an eligible participant for a minimum of three (3) contests.

**TEAM/INDIVIDUAL and INDIVIDUAL SPORTS** – For the sports of archery, badminton, bowling, cross country, fencing, golf, gymnastics, rifle, skiing, swimming, tennis, outdoor track, winter track and wrestling, and must also have represented their school in six (6) scheduled contests during the season to be eligible. These required contests must occur on six different dates and must be concluded prior to the conclusion of the team’s regular schedule.”

**Senior All Star Contests**

- The committee discussed the need to define “seniors that have exhausted their eligibility”. At times, there are students who have exhausted their eligibility in their junior year and therefore may not be included in the Senior All Star Contest.

A motion to approve the committee’s recommendation to add to the regulation “Special circumstances may be appealed to the Section Executive Director” carried.  
Vulpis/McGuire

**Sport Standards Chart**

- The committee recommended in the column “Individual Contest Limitations per Day” to add ONE CONTEST PER DAY along with the event limitations for Badminton, Gymnastics, Swimming & Diving and Outdoor and Indoor Track.

A motion to approve to add ONE CONTEST PER DAY along with the event limitations for Badminton, Gymnastics, Swimming & Diving and Outdoor and Indoor Track to the Sport Standards Chart carried.  
Lally/Ceruti

**Past Presidents – Nomination Committee.** Past President Patrick Pizzarelli

- Announced the slate of officers for 2012-2014 as Eileen Troy, President, Stephen Broadwell, 1st Vice President and Mark Ward, Past President.
- Announced the nomination of James Osborne, Section 9, as the Male Athletic Representative in the
Officals Coordinating Federation. Assistant Director Bob Stulmaker presented the report.

- The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, May 23, 2012 at 8:00PM via conference call.

Sportsmanship Committee. Assistant Director Todd Nelson presented the report.

Sportsmanship Promotion Program

- Section plaque award winners need to be sent to Todd Nelson by May 10th. Sections may also nominate schools that won the plaque award for the State Banner award. Any school that is nominated for the State Banner Award will need to supply supporting documentation to the NYSPHSAA office by June 1st. Winners of the State Banner Award will be announced in June and recognized at the summer meeting in Lake George.

Hazing Webinar

- A recorded copy of the hazing webinar that was offered in the fall and winter can be found on the NYSPHSAA website. This webinar can be used by athletic directors to help educate coaches, parents, and students about the dangers of hazing and the devastating effect it can have on the school community. It provides alternatives that can be used to help with team building. The link to the recorded hazing webinar is http://www.nysphsaa.org/safety/.

Citizenship Through Athletics Course

- The NYSPHSAA is currently sponsoring the Citizenship Through Athletics Course via an on-line webinar. Over the past couple of years the Association has offered this course but has not had a great deal of success. This year we have offered the course on-line and had seven individuals participate over three days on-line. The course is meant to show individuals ways they can go back to their schools and enhance or improve the sportsmanship level at their schools. He has received great feedback on the webinars and hopes to be able to continue to increase the participation of this course through on-line webinars.

Sportsmanship Matters

- He reminded the Sportsmanship Matters brochure can be found on our website and can be distributed to coaches, students and parents. This brochure was developed by the Sportsmanship Committee to help schools share the message that the NYSPHSAA puts a high value on sportsmanship. The brochure will be updated at the committee’s meeting in October. To obtain a copy of the brochure, go to http://www.nysphsaa.org/programs/.

Future Meeting

- The next meeting of the Sportsmanship Committee is scheduled October 10, 2012 via conference call.

REPORTS FROM EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS AND CONSULTANTS

State Education Department. Executive Director Nina Van Erk presented the written report from Darryl Daily.

New Guidelines for Concussion Management

- Guidelines are currently under review by SED and DOH staff.
- Due to come out sometime in June and before July 1, 2012.
- Public review was March 21st and published on the State Register. Comments were accepted from March 21st through May 7th.

New Guidelines for Health Appraisals (Health Exams)

- Asking for more detailed questions related to concussion and cardiac history on the health history recommended sample form.
- The process will not change.

Selection/Classification Update

- Currently under discussion with counsel.
• Communication of details to follow.

Current Selection/Classification Requests
• Remember to include the required forms filled out completely and legibly when applying for a selection and classification waiver to SED.
• The following forms are needed at a minimum and may be emailed with attachments, mailed or faxed (518-473-4884): Individual Athletic Profile form, Special Approval Request Application and Special Case Form (only if athlete is rated below required standard).
• Include your email address somewhere on the forms for a quick response; otherwise it will come via U.S. Mail.

Regents Reform Agenda Items
• Please check the NYSED website for continuous updates and clarifications information with Common Core Standards, data-driven instruction, Student Learning Objectives or teacher and leader effectiveness: http://engageny.org/

Pay To Play Reminder
• School districts cannot institute a “pay to play” policy for athletics.

Applying to be an approved agency/instructor for coaching courses
• For information on how to become an approved agency to provide the coaching courses, contact Darryl at ddaily@mail.nysed.gov.

NYSED Coaching FA/CPR/AED Approved Agency (Renewals)
• In order to maintain status as an approved provider of the NYSED Coaching and FA/CPR courses, all agencies are required to submit an agency instructor evaluation form for each instructor in their agency. These are to be sent to SED every January to maintain agency approval status. (If no classes have been taught this fall, a blank form should be sent indicating this and approval will be maintained.) If your agency did not receive the form or did not send in, please contact Darryl as soon as possible. This is only required of those agencies issuing NYSED certificates.

Student Teacher and Coaching
• Recently it was requested from NYSAHPERD, NYSCPPE and several colleges for a clarification by NYSED as to whether a student teacher in physical education needs to obtain a temporary coaching license. It has been brought to NYSED’s attention that a number of schools are currently requiring this process for student teachers.
• Student teachers, who are required to coach as part of their student teaching experience, are not required to be certified as a temporary coach. If a student teacher is hired and being paid for coaching, then it would be expected that the student teacher would have secured a temporary coaching certification and be approved by the local Board of Education.

Courses that are accepted as meeting the Coaches First Aid and CPR requirement
• SED is reviewing the document for update.
• American Red Cross (ARC) is no longer offering the NYS First Aid for Coaches course.

Contact Information
• Email: ddaily@mail.nysed.gov
• Phone: 518-474-5922
• Physical Education Website: www.emsc.nysed.gov/ciai/pe/

NYS Athletic Administrators Association. Steve Young, President
• Congratulated Nina on being presented the NIAAA State Aware of Merit at the March NYSSAA Conference.
• Announced the NYSSAA Board approved the creation of the NYSSAA Hall of Fame which will begin with inductions in 2014.
• Reported their website has been enhanced.
• Reported their spring newsletter went out last week. If you haven’t received it, please go to their website where they are all archived.
• Announced effective July 1st all membership renewals and enrollment will be based on date of enrollment.
• Reported their Association is excited Dave Martens was selected to be inducted into the NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame’s Class of 2012.
• Reported their conference photos are available for viewing and downloading on their website through Shutterfly. Please visit the website for more information.
• Announced they have a new sponsor, Mylocker.net, who offers quality clothing at discounted prices. Schools need to register to participate. 12% of the proceeds of sales are returned to the school’s booster club.
• Reported the Section 1 Summer Institute will be held July 1-July 4, 2012 in Brewster, MA. Fifteen Leadership Training Courses will be offered.
• Announced Otis Sennett will be inducted into the NIAAA Hall of Fame at the NIAAA National Conference in San Antonio, TX on December 14-19, 2012. He will become the 30th AD from New York to be honored.
• Announced the NYSAAA’s Annual Conference will be held March 14-15, 2013. The theme is “Choose Success Every Day”.

NYS Council of Administrators, James Rose
• Reported his first six months have been very busy. He has travelled all over the state attending meetings in regard to APPR and student learning objectives.
• He and Lloyd Mott visited New York City and spoke to Athletic and Physical Education administrators, learning about New York City issues and recruiting more C.O.A. members.
• Reported the C.O.A. has initiated meetings with higher education in regard to teacher preparedness, the student teacher process, as well as the student teacher as a coach process.
• Reported they have also attended multiple meetings with State Education leaders, Ken Slantz, Anita Murphy and Darryl Daily.
• Reported a project to update and develop Physical Education outcomes along with a set of sample learning objectives will roll out officially at their annual conference in November.

NEW BUSINESS
A motion to approve the separation agreement with our Treasurer, Kathleen Higle carried. McGuire/Bergman

A motion to accept the Compensation Committee report carried. Lally/Osborne

Executive Director Nina Van Erk announced her retirement as of August 31, 2012.

A motion to approve the adjournment of the May 2012 Executive Committee meeting at 10:10AM on Saturday, May 5, 2012 carried. Felice/Osborne

Respectfully submitted,

Nina Van Erk
Executive Director