SYNOPSIS OF ACTIONS
May 6, 2016 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Hilton Garden Inn, Troy, NY

ACTION ITEMS

1. P4  Approved the May 6, 2016 Executive Committee Meeting agenda.
2. P4  Approved the January 29, 2016 Executive Committee Meeting minutes.
4. P16 Approved the transfer of up to $800,000 to a bond fund account.
5. P22 Approved Section participation in 2016-2017 NYSPHSAA Championships and Regionals as per the NYSPHSAA Constitution, Article V, 5.
6. P22 Approved the Single Soccer Official rule.
7. P22 Approved a waiver of the NFHS “all white” soccer uniform rule for Modified/Freshmen/JV soccer teams for the 2016 and 2017 seasons.
10. P22 Approved the University of Albany and Adelphia University as the site for the Boys Lacrosse East Semifinal for 2017, 2018 and 2019.
13. P22 Approved as a Point of Emphasis to allow coaches to coach their athletes from green to tee during the NYSPHSAA Girls State Championships.
14. P22 Approved the 4 classification cut-off numbers for the NYSPHSAA Girls Lacrosse Championships (Class A, B, C, D) effective for the 2017 season.
15. P23 Approved to adjust the Ice Hockey cut-off numbers from the current 1100 to 1000 effective the 2016-2017 season.
16. P23 Approved the 2016-2017 NYSPHSAA Girls and Boys Swimming and Diving Qualifying Championship Meet Standards.
17. P23 Approved Girls Gymnastics abides by the same standard calendar as Skiing on Weeks #34/#35.
18. P23 Approved revisions to the NYS Federation Tennis Championships effective the 2016-2017 school year.
19. P23 Approved a reduction in the required number of contests for Boys Tennis from 6 to 4 in Section VII.
20. **P23**  Approved the following for Friend and Neighbor status: **EF International Academy (1), German International School New York (1).**

21. **P25**  Approved for NYSPHSAA to endorse the USA Football Heads Up Coaching Education Program.

22. **P26**  Approved in Softball from Regional competition on, the host team is the home team effective the 2016 season.

23. **P38**  Approved adjournment.
The Executive Committee meeting was called to order by President Steve Broadwell at 9:00AM on Friday, May 6, 2016. Executive Director Robert Zayas introduced members of the Executive Committee and took attendance as follows:

**Officers & Staff**
- President Stephen Broadwell
- First Vice President James Osborne
- Second Vice President Paul Harrica
- Past President Eileen Troy
- Executive Director Robert Zayas
- Assistant Director Todd Nelson
- Assistant Director Joseph Altieri
- Director of Communications Joseph Agostinelli
- Special Programs Coordinator Kristen Jadin
- Director of Sales and Marketing Chris Joyce
- Treasurer Lisa Arnold
- Counsel Renee James
- Secretary Sandra Schanck

**Past Presidents**
- Kathryn Faber
- Karen Lopez
- Patrick Pizzarelli

**Section Representatives**
- Section 1: Jennifer Simmons (proxy for Karen Peterson), James Mackin
- Section 2: Kathy Ryan, Ed Dopp
- Section 3: Monica Tooley (John Rathbun, proxy in PM), Michael Carboine
- Section 4: Julie Bergman, Christopher Durdon
- Section 5: Kimberly Henshaw, Craig Veley
- Section 6: Marisa Fallacaro, James Graczyk
- Section 7: Patricia Ryan-Curry, Joseph Staves
- Section 8: Christine Ceruti, Patrick Pizzarelli (proxy for John Pirovano)
- Section 9: Roberta Greene, James Wolfe
- Section 10: Lori Brewer, James Cruikshank
- Section 11: Debra Ferry, Timothy Mullins

**Section Ex. Directors**
- Jennifer Simmons (1), John Rathbun (3), Ben Nelson (4), Ed Stores (5), Timm Slade (6), Karen Lopez (7), Nina Van Erk (8), Carl Normandin (10), Don Webster (11)

**Standing Committees/Ex-Officios**
- Jim Rose, Modified Co-Coordinator (via phone)
- Judy Salerno, Modified Co-Coordinator (via phone)
Scott Sugar, CAA, Vice President-NYSAAA  
Greg Warren, President-NYSCOA

**Sport Coordinators**  
Marbry Gansle, G. Gymnastics State Coordinator  
Scott Stuart, Ice Hockey State Coordinator (via phone)  
Jim Amen, B. Lacrosse State Coordinator  
Cathy Allen, Softball State Coordinator (via phone)  
Pat Ryan, G. Swimming/Diving Assistant State Coordinator (via phone)  
Judy Hartmann, B. Volleyball State Coordinator

**Guests**  
Peter Fisher, NYSPHSAA Intern  
Matt Scunziano, NYSPHSAA Intern  
Rise Van Iderstine, Section 2

A motion to approve the agenda of the May 6, 2016 Executive Committee meeting **carried**. Simmons/Durdon

A motion to approve the January 29, 2016 Executive Committee Meeting minutes as written **carried**. Pizzarelli/Simmons

**ORAL AND PRINTED REPORTS WERE PRESENTED BY ASSOCIATION OFFICERS AND STAFF**

**President Steve Broadwell**  
- Attended Boys/Girls Basketball, Wrestling, Girls Gymnastics Championships and the Federation Basketball Tournament this past Winter.  
- Thanked the Sport Coordinators and their committees along with the volunteers for their hard work in making our championships successful.  
- Thanked everyone involved on the Strategic Planning Committee and looks forward to their final report.  
- Congratulated the Class of 2016 NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame Inductees.  
- Looking forward to the Spring championships.

**1st Vice President Jim Osborne**  
- Congratulated the Winter championship participants.  
- Congratulated the sport coordinators and their committees for the great job they do and especially the volunteers for their efforts and time in making our championships so successful.  
- Looking forward to the Spring championships.

**2nd Vice President Paul Harrica**  
- Congratulated the Winter champions.  
- Attended a number of the winter championships.  
- Thanked those involved on the Strategic Planning Committee. Feels it is a very positive document for the Association. Had great representation from across the state.
Past President Eileen Troy
- Attended Wrestling, Boys/Girls Basketball and Rifle Championships.
- Congratulated the Winter champions.
- Thanked the office staff for their contributions to the championships and the Sport Coordinators, sport committees and volunteers for an outstanding job in making our championships so successful.
- Announced the nomination of Julie Bergman, Section IV, as the Female Athletic Representative in the officer rotation vacancy of 2nd Vice President.

Executive Director Robert Zayas

Non-Public School Correspondence
- Letters of concern pertaining to non-public school participation within our Association provided by Sections V and VI were included in the meeting packet.

Spalding Ball Adoption and Section III
- Section III is currently involved in discussions with Spalding pertaining to their existing Section III Spalding Ball Adoption agreement. It is the intention of Section III to honor and execute the terms and conditions of the NYSPHSAA statewide agreement signed on May 7, 2015.
- All eleven sections approved their participation in the statewide agreement to begin with the 2016-2017 school year.

Home School Legislation
- Legislation to allow home schooled students to participate in interscholastic sports programs is under review in both the NYS Senate and Assembly.
- In June 2015, the Senate passed the bill unanimously, however because the Assembly did not act, the Senate must advance the bill during the 2016 legislative session, which ends June 16, 2016.
- A memo in opposition to the legislation was included in the meeting packet.
- Kevin Banes, NYSPHSAA Government Relations Liaison, presented a brief synopsis on what has taken place in the last year with the home school legislation. He felt that if we articulate the concern of the membership well enough, we may be able to stop the legislation in the Senate. On June 1st, the Senate is holding a round table discussion before moving the bill. He and Robert have been invited to attend to provide our position and share information with other Associations who will be participating. The School Board Association, Superintendents, home school advocates and SED will also be in attendance. He and Robert will also take this opportunity to visit with key members in both houses to share the Association’s position.

Florida High School Legislation-FHSAA Transfer Rule
- Florida lawmakers passed an education reform bill on March 11, the final day of the legislative session that was recently signed into law by Governor Rick Scott. The law, starting with the next academic year, will allow students to attend any public school in the state that is not at capacity. The new law will let students go to a school outside the county they live in if they provide their own transportation and the school has openings. A transfer student would be immediately eligible to play sports, even if the season has started, provided the athlete didn’t participate in that sport at another school that year.

APP “Recommendation”
- As a result of an April 7th meeting with Darryl Daily and Joan Ebert, the new Deputy Commissioner of NYSED, NYSED is amending Step 4 of the APP to clarify that the Tanner scores are no longer required numbers as in the previous Selection Process but are now recommended numbers for the APP.
Other

- He met on May 10th with two NYSED attorneys who are reviewing a regulation that would allow students from K-8 school districts to selectively classify and go through the APP process and play at another high school. He cautioned we need to be aware and concerned because if this regulation were to change, it could impact the Bona Fide Student regulation.

- The 2016 Central Committee meeting will be held July 26-28 at the Turning Stone Resort (3); in the process of signing a contract for the July 2017 Central Committee meeting at Thousand Islands Harbor Resort (10); and in discussion for the 2018 Central Committee meeting in Lake Placid (7).

Assistant Director Joe Altieri

Sport Committees

- Since January 30th has been liaison to the following committees: Girls Volleyball, Boys Golf, Baseball, Girls Soccer, Boys/Girls Lacrosse, Wrestling, Boys Volleyball, Indoor Track, Football, Strategic Plan, Federation, NYSAAA, Hall of Fame Committee.

- Minutes have been provided of each sport committee and standing committee to the Section Executive Directors.

Championship Advisory Committee

- Minutes from the April 6th meeting were included in the meeting packet.

Championships

- Winter championships yielded a $204,466 profit as of this meeting date bringing our YTD total to $415,889. Both are decreases in comparison to a year ago due to a lower attendance and a $23,000 bed tax from boys basketball not yet received.

- Venue costs were much less due to the new competitive bidding process.

- A copy of the future Championship dates and sites through 2020 were included in the meeting packet.

- Numerous site selection approvals will be requested at this meeting.

- Site RFP’s have gone out for softball whose deadline was yesterday. This will be Action Item at July Central Committee meeting. Site RFP’s will also be going out for the football semifinals and girls soccer in the coming weeks.

- 4,315 online tickets were sold for the winter championships yielding $54,231, and increase from 2015. Boys Swimming sold out all its online tickets and led all winter sports in online sales again.

- Online tickets (via ticketleap.com) are now on sale for the spring championships.

- Time Warner Cable SportsChannel will broadcast the following championships this spring: girls lacrosse finals, boys lacrosse semifinals and finals.

- TWCS conducted live broadcasts for boys and girls basketball, wrestling and ice hockey this winter.

- For better quality control of contracts, an internal procedure for review of championship venue contracts has been established. The NYSPHSAA Treasure and Executive Director will now be included in the review process before execution.

Branding & Marketing

- A new initiative of branded hotel keys at selected state championship hotels was implemented at the winter championships. A sample key was at each place setting.

- Thanks to the NFHS producing a turnkey radio PSA for all states, we were able to mail CD’s of the PSA to over 300 radio stations in New York for free promotion of NYSPHSAA and high school sports. The spot was NYSPHSAA branded and advertises participation in high school sports. A letter and on-air survey was sent to each station along with the PSA.

- Traditional radio and television campaigns were put into place for wrestling, ice hockey, girls basketball and boys basketball this winter in communities hosting events. We added a statewide digital campaign for those
sports using Facebook, YouTube, Twitter and homepage takeovers of FOX and ABC Albany. The same time of campaign will be continued this spring for baseball, softball, boys lacrosse and girls lacrosse.

**Sport Coordinator**
- The reappointment of George Hathaway as Rifle State Coordinator retroactive to September 2015 since his term expired August 2015 will be an Action Item later in the meeting agenda.

**Hall of Fame Class of 2016**
- The Hall of Fame Class of 2016 has been announced. A press release has been sent out and video tributes are being put together.

**Assistant Director Todd Nelson**

**Unified Sports**
- This Spring there will 56 teams competing in Unified Basketball. Sections 2, 5, 6, 7 (1 school) and 8. All of the schools have participated in a Youth Activation Summit this past winter.
- Basketball teams have been formed consisting of students with and without disabilities. All teams follow the NFHS Basketball rules, NYSPHSAA Basketball and Eligibility rules along with all NYSED rules and regulations.
- There is also an opportunity for students when it is not appropriate for them to be on the Unified Basketball team to participate in the skills challenge consisting of shooting, dribbling and passing. These skills are performed with a unified partner. The skills challenges are competitions with other skill athletes for a score.
- Five schools from Section 2 piloted a bowling season this past winter. Unified teams competed in doubles and four person teams during the regular season and then as an eight person unified team for the culminating tournament. Bowling allowed students in wheel chairs to be part of the school’s interscholastic program. The pilot was a huge success and we anticipate more schools being involved in bowling next year.
- Section 5 is discussing a pilot program for Unified Cross Country.
- Schools from Sections 3 and 9 are interested in participating in Unified Basketball next year.
- Thanked Special Olympics New York for their partnership in allowing us to provide this opportunity.

**Cheerleading**
- On March 5, 2016, the first NYSPHSAA Cheerleading State Championship was held at the SRC Arena AT Onondaga Community College. 57 teams competed in 5 divisions/classes during the one day event. Five teams from each division /class qualified for the finals.
- The champions were: Division I Large: Fairport (5); Division I Small: Penfield (5); Division II Large: Pearl River (1); Division II Small: Avon (5); Co-Ed: Mount Sinai (11).

**Director of Communications Joseph Agostinelli**

**Website**
- Overall, the 2016 NYSPHSAA Winter Championship season saw a 21% increase over 2015 in website traffic with an increase of 17% in the number of users.

**Website Upgrades for 2016-2017**
- Work has begun on upgrades to the website to be made heading into the 2016-2017 school year. Updates include: update Content Management System, new Search Functionality, new Skin and Templates globally, Menu redesign, Home Page Image Rotator, Sports Landing Pages Layout, Form Functionality, Admin Control, Layout and Access to Handbook and Mobile responsive.
- There will be no down time during the upgrades. A list of final upgrades will be published at the conclusion of the upgrade.
- SPIRE Interactive, who has been our web developer and manager since the website was redesigned in 2013, will be performing the upgrades.
Social Media
- Audience numbers for NYSPHSAA Social Media pages continues to grow.
- Twitter has 12,500+ followers.
- Facebook has 5,300+ likes.
- YouTube had 134,500+ views.
- Instagram has 1,052 followers.

Dropbox for Media
- NYSPHSAA now has a Dropbox account (file sharing software for larger size files) to share high resolution images and videos to media. This has allowed NYSPHSAA to fulfill requests from media outlets for interviews, photographs and highlights.

Live Scoring
- During this year’s winter championships, NYSPHSAA provided live scoring and results for all sports, with the exception of Cheerleading and Gymnastics. He continues to work with both committees as to what can be done to be able to offer live scoring for fans for these tournaments in the future.

Media Relations
- In comparing our credentialing policy with a number of other states and discussing verbiage with Renee, revisions to the current policy are needed.
- Revisions to the current NYSPHSAA Media Credentialing Policy will be a Discussion/Information item later in the meeting.

Internships
- Thanked interns Pete Fisher and Matt Scunziano for their great work this semester.
- A summer Communication’s Intern will begin before the start of Spring Championships.

Special Programs Coordinator Kristen Jadin

Captains Club
- A link to register for the Captains Club is emailed to all Athletic Directors each month. It is held on the second Tuesday of every month.
- The program has been promoted at Athletic Council meetings, the NYSSAA Conference and on Twitter and Facebook.
- Each Captains Club session is posted to the NYSPHSAA YouTube channel after the event for those who were unable to attend the live event.
- The last Captains Club for the 2015-2016 school year will be held on Tuesday, June 14th at 3:00 PM. The link to register has been sent to all Athletic Directors.

Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC)
- The February 23, 2016 meeting was held via teleconference. The Meeting Report was included in the meeting packet.
- A SAAC google forum has been created for students to provide insight and feedback on various programs/topics.
- SAAC suggested NYSPHSAA develop a team unity/building program on how to bring diverse group of student athletes together on a team/school.
- The next meeting will be held Sunday, May 15 via teleconference

Student Athlete Development Committee (SADC)
- The committee has met three times since the January Executive Committee. The Meeting Reports are included in the meeting packet.
• Student athletes from Marathon High School involved in their Life of an Athlete program attended the NYSAAA conference and presented their program to the SADC as well as to Athletic Directors at a breakout group during the NYSAAA conference.
• The committee is developing ideas to revitalize the Scholar Athlete Team Award program.
• An application developed for future SAAC members will be distributed to Sections this summer.

**Spalding Ball Adoption**
• Met with or teleconferenced with all Sport Coordinators regarding the Spalding Ball Adoption.
• Confirmed the needs of each Sport Coordinator. In the process of developing a distribution plan.

**Scholar Athlete**
• There were over 2,300 Winter Scholar-Athlete teams.
• A list of the Winter 2016 Scholar-Athlete State Champion teams was provided.
• The deadline for the Spring 2016 Scholar-Athlete Team Awards is Monday, May 23, 2016.

**Student Leadership**
• SADC will be recruiting students from their respective Sections to attend the New England Student Leadership Conference (NESLC) on July 26-29 at Stone Hill College in Massachusetts. If you know a student athlete that would be interested, please contact the SADC Section Rep or Kristen.
• NYSPHSAA will be responsible for registration, housing and meals. The Section, school and/or student is responsible for the travel to and from the conference. The goal is for 2 student-athletes from each Section attend.
• To attend the NFHS Student Leadership Summit, student-athletes will have to enter the NYSAAA Essay Contest. One female student and one male student will be declared winners and will then represent the NYSPHSAA at the NFHS Student Leadership Summit in Indianapolis. This year’s winners are Caroline Pennacchio from Briarcliff HS (I) and Jonathan Bassett, Johnson City HS (4).

**Director of Sales and Marketing Chris Joyce**

**Transition of Responsibilities**
• Working with Joe Altieri to review existing sponsorship agreements. All required deliverables have been noted.
• Met with Tim McGuire of Pupil Benefits and Steve Madarasz of CSEA to discuss their partnerships which are up for renewal.
• Proposal templates have been created, reviewed and adjusted with input and assistance from Joe Altieri and Robert Zayas.

**Sponsorships**
• The following companies were secured as “contributing partners” for the Winter Championships:
• Proposals of $10,000 or more have been sent to the following companies:
  - Stewart Signs, Greenfields USA, A-Turf, Advantage Sport and Fitness, Weather Bug, Dick’s Sporting Goods, Hudl
• Renewed partnership with New York Yankees that will run through the 2016 MLB season. Information is available on our website homepage or contact the office.
• Contract is being drawn up for a five year renewal (Bronze sponsorship) with Nike.
• CSEA Excelsior Award was presented to Jill Bonesteel of East Greenbush School District (Section 2) at the Boys Basketball Class AA Semifinal.
- He and Robert met with Rick Naczi of the American Dairy Association. They are interested in renewing their sponsorship at the end of the year.

Championship Marketing
- Worked with Joe Altieri on digital marketing campaigns for Winter Championships.
- Targeted social media and Google network placements were highly successful.
  - Over 1,650,000 impressions for the campaign
  - Click-through rates ranged from .56% to 2.71%. The industry average CTR is around .04%.
  - Will continue this through Spring sports.

Treasurer Lisa Arnold
Balance Sheet
- We continue to have a solid cash position. Recommended investing a portion of the balance in a low risk bond fund to earn interest.
- At the April investment meeting, AJ stated our investment account is in line with current market trends and we have an annualized rate of return of 5.75% since its inception. Our portfolio is 60% stocks and 40% bonds which have been flat but are a good offset to the volatility of stocks.
- Other Receivables of $225K include sponsorships owed totaling $139,000.
- Inventory includes approximately $70,000 of ImPact tests ordered per our contract.
- We continue to have the ability to meet current obligations and the Post-retirement Benefit liability.

Income Statement
Revenues
- Winter championships netted a $204,465 profit compared to last winter’s net profit of $332,440 which is a decrease of approximately $128,000. This was due to a drop in attendance of 7,183 for the winter season, revenues decreasing and expenses decreasing.

Administrative Expenses
- Administrative expenses are in line with budgeted expenses.

Programs & Committees
- Ad Hoc Committees are slightly over budget due to the Strategic Planning Committee meeting in April which was not reflected in the budget.
- NYS Federation expenses were over budget due to low attendance and schools traveling farther.
- The market value of our investments has decreased by $59,363 since August 31, 2015.
- Overall the financial health of the Association continues to improve.

Legal Counsel Renee James
Transgender
- Many new case laws and new guidelines in the area of transgender student athletes.
- Had the first Federal Appellate decision regarding transgender. Office of Civil Rights and the Department of education are making it very clear that transgender students must be treated consistent with their transgendered identity.
- Reported on a transgender identity case in Virginia.
- Reported on an appeal to the NYS Commissioner of Education in which we are named along with a school district regarding a transgendered male who wants to participate on the modified girls track team. The school states that if you identify as a male, you have to participate on the male team. The Commissioner granted a stay allowing the student to participate on the modified girls’ team. In our answer to the Commissioner, we many questions to be answered.
Will be reconvening our Transgender Committee to clarify our guidelines.
This issue continues to be ever changing but is getting clearer.
If anyone has any questions or a Section would like her to speak at an Athletic Council meeting, please contact her.

Transfer Rule
Reported the court upheld the appeal of our Transfer Rule by the non-public schools that challenged it but gave them 9 months to perfect their appeal, put together their records and their brief.

Transfer Waiver Requests
According to the Sections, the requests for Transfer waiver have decreased.
There are two appeals before the Commissioner based on health and safety. In both appeals, the parents are claiming bullying but there are no DASA complaints filed in either case so the Sections did not approve them. In both appeals, the parents asked for stays but the Commissioner denied them.

AED Emergency Form
She and Joe Altieri are developing an AED emergency form to be used for Regionals, Sectional and State Championships. This will be a plan for when an emergency does happen, everyone will know who is in charge of a specific thing.

Appeals
Reported there are four appeals regarding merged schools. Two from Section 6 were just heard. They were successful in defending both appeals as they had just updated their policy on schools merging.
Stated with the increase in mergers of schools, Sections should have a policy of factors to be considered.

SECTION CONCERNS

Section III
Several of their private schools have raised a concern with the new coaching certification requirement effective July 1st. They asked the Association if there is going to be some sort of grandfather clause instituted. At this time there is no support to grandfather any coaches.

Section VI
Voiced a concern with possibly having to pay for Workman’s Comp for officials even though they are independent contractors. Todd stated the OCF is aware of the issue. The OCF Liaison Committee is meeting on June 28th to discuss this issue. Renee is reviewing the language on our current officials’ contracts to see if it needs to be changed.

Section VII
Concerned with the prevalence and success of non-public and charter school members in NYSPHSAA post season and championship contests, especially in Class D. Sections are reporting difficulties when determining appropriate classification for non-public and charter schools.

Patricia Ryan-Curry presented Section VII’s proposal for Sections to classify NYSPHSAA non-public and charter school members using a minimum multiplier of 1.5 of their annual BEDS numbers to determine the classification of their sport specific athletic programs. Sections continue to have the ability to classify the non-public and charter school athletic programs to a higher classification based on the procedures approved within their Section. A school moved up in a class above the 1.5 multiplier for a particular sport must remain in that class throughout the entire sport season. Renee James mentioned a past ruling from the Commissioner preventing the use of a multiplier.
Take back to Sections for discussion. This will be a discussion item at the July Central Committee meeting.

- Voiced a concern with Modified Football with regards to defensive linesmen and the six man line. Has that changed and is there any concern with concussion issues with regards to having a defensive person across the center line? Todd stated this is coming out of a 2 year pilot program and has been discussed by the Modified Committee who will continue to look at the issue.

- In regards to the 5 sport classification cut-off numbers, to keep the numbers at 20% across the board so there are no disparities among the sports, they requested to have them reviewed once in a while. Todd stated they are reviewed on a yearly basis. He brings any recommendations to the Executive Committee every January. This past January he brought a recommendation to the Executive Committee and as there was no second to the Section VII motion, the numbers did not change.

Section VIII
- Requested discussion to begin on the requirement of Athletic Administrators to be certified. Currently there is no certification required in New York State. Should we have a membership requirement be that an Athletic Administrator needs to be certified? This will be a Cracker Barrel topic at the July Central Committee meeting.

Section IX
- Have a concern about combining of schools causing a controversy in creating super teams. Inquired if other Sections have a system or rubric for denying or approving combining of schools. Section IX has a rubric they use and will share with other Sections. This will be a Cracker Barrel topic at the July Central committee meeting.

REPORTS FROM EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

State Education Department. Darryl Daily

Professional Development Opportunities
- NYS Athletic Administrators Association (NYSAAA) Annual Conference (March 15-17, 2017) in Saratoga Springs. Website: www.nysaaa.org/conference/program-information

The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)
- Commissioner Maryellen Elia stated the new law still has to be reviewed closely as there are questions about evaluations, assessments and accountability. She stated the Act will let New York move forward to
implement new, higher standards and improve our schools and to help our students build better lives through education.

ESSA Quick Facts

- School health and physical education are identified as part of a student’s “well-rounded” education.
- School districts will be able to access funding from Title I, Title II and Title IV through their state department of education. SED will communicate how that will be accomplished when more information becomes available.
- Funding previously allocated to school districts through the Carol M. White Physical Education Program from the US Department of Education will no longer exist. Funding available in the block grants through Title IV will replace the PEP grant funding.
- ESSA funding for Titles I, II and IV will begin to flow to states on July 1, 2016. The regulatory and implementation process for accessing funding will be developed during the first half of 2016 by the US Department of Education and Congress. SHAPE America will keep members updated as this process progresses. SED will communicate more information in the future as it becomes available.

New Guidance Highlights Impact Opportunities to Support Healthy Students

- Website: www2.ed.gov/policy/elsec/guid/secletter/160115.html
- Toolkit available: Healthy Students Promising Futures-State and Local Action Steps and Practices to Improve School Based Health.
- See link: www2.ed.gov/admins/lead/safety/healthy-students/toolkit.pdf
- Promote Healthy School Practices Through Nutrition, Physical Activity and Health Education. To create these opportunities, schools can assess the effectiveness of their policies and practices using the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s (CDC) School Health Index and School Health Guidelines to Promote Healthy Eating and Physical Activity. Schools can get access to even more technical assistance and support materials by signing up to be school champions through the Let’s Move! Active Schools Initiative. LEAs can develop strong Local Wellness Policies that are deeply integrated into individual school improvement plans.

Athletic Placement Process for Interscholastic Athletic Programs (APP) (formerly Selection Classification Program) (New-For Fall 2015)

- Effective: Beginning 2015-23016 school year
- Website: www.p12.nysed.gov/ciai/pe/documents/AthleticPlacementProcesskh4-14-16FINALRevised(3).pdf
- Amendment to language in APP concerning Medical Clearance in Step 4 to clarify the process.
  - **Step 4 Medical Clearance:** (Must be completed BEFORE the physical fitness portion of the process). The district medical director will determine a student’s physical maturity level, and compare the physical size of the student in relation to that of the students against whom the student wishes to compete. *If the student is determined to have attained the appropriate physical maturity level and comparable physical size for the desired sport and level (see Appendix C and H), the student may proceed with Step 5. If the student is determined to not have attained an appropriate physical maturity level for the desired sport and level, the process stops.

- Please note: In the past Selection Classification Process, the Tanner scores were required scores, based exclusively on the Tanner staging of sexual development. The requirement meant the students must be at an identical level of development per the chart. This was not realistic as there is generally a range of ages playing at a high school competition level. Additionally, the Tanner scores were identical for both sexes. This did not accurately reflect the earlier age of development of adolescent females versus adolescent males, which made it more likely that a less physically mature female could be approved to play at a higher level against physically matured females, and therefore be at greater risk of injury. Therefore, the APP maturity
assessment standards were revised as follows: The medical director is instructed to take into consideration the height, weight, muscle mass, and Tanner rating as compared to the other athletes he/she would compete with.

- The Tanner scores on (chart H found in the APP document) are no longer required numbers, as was the case in the previous Selection Classification Process but, are now recommended numbers for the APP. Please note: The recommended Tanner scores are based on the average Tanner score of the average aged male or female that typically competes at those levels. Tanner scores are higher for females compared to males at the same levels, which more accurately reflects the earlier ages that females achieve physical maturity.

- **Note:** Tanner scores and fitness score standards for Fall 2016 are being reviewed.

### Mixed Competition Guidelines Revised to Reflect APP


### Coaching Courses

- NFHS (NYS specific) Coaching course pathway is now approved by NYSED as an alternative pathway. It is not a replacement but another alternative for coaches to complete the required course work.

- **NOTE:** If already in a previous NYSED Coaching Course track, stay with it.


- Please make sure your certificates are updated. Check with Darryl Daily, Associate in Physical Education, if a new template is needed.

- Please send in yearly evaluations to Darryl Daily at SED via email: Darryl.daily@nysed.gov.

- If interested in becoming a provider for traditional NYSED coaching Courses, please contact NYSED at (518) 474-5922.

### Transgender Guidance Document

- Transgender and Gender-Nonconforming-Students Guidance Document Board of Regents approved July 20, 2015:

### Concussion Courses

- Reminded concussion courses are required for physical education teachers and coaches every 2 years.

- The NFHS/CDC Concussion Course is approved to be used by coaches in New York State as part of the Concussion Management and Awareness Act requirement. [www.cdc.gov/concussion/HeadsUp/online_training.html](http://www.cdc.gov/concussion/HeadsUp/online_training.html)

- All NFHS courses are accessed at [www.nfhslearn.com](http://www.nfhslearn.com).

- The direct link to the NFHS concussion Course is: [www.nfhslearn.com/electiveDetail.aspx?courseID=38000](http://www.nfhslearn.com/electiveDetail.aspx?courseID=38000)

- Physical Education teachers still have to complete the *Heads Up, Concussion in Youth Sports* every 2 years. It is available at [www.cdc.gov/concussion/HeadsUp/online_training.html](http://www.cdc.gov/concussion/HeadsUp/online_training.html)

### Quality Physical Education Plan Reminder

- Keep plan current.

- Update plan frequently to ensure high-quality programs are being offered.

- Make sure your plan is aligned with the current regulations and/or National and NYS Standards. Recommend updating a minimum of 7 years. With ESSA coming into effect, this would be valuable to districts to justify funding.

- For technical assistance or specific questions, contact Darryl Daily at ddaily@mail.nysed.gov.
• Physical Education Plans must be filed both at the local level and at the Department. They can be sent as a hard copy or as an emailed attachment to the Department. Email format is preferred.

**Important Reminder to All Physical Education Directors/Athletic Directors**

• Make sure all of your coaches are certified and/or are in the process of completing their certification.
• Re-check to make sure they have all their requirements completed and license in hand to coach.

**Important Health Related Items**

**New York State Combat Heroin and Prescription Opioid Abuse Campaign**

• A new Kitchen Table Toolkit is available as part of the campaign.
• The toolkit features two new videos which can be used by parents, teachers and community members to help begin conversations with youth concerning the health risks and dangerous consequences of heroin and prescription painkiller abuse. Information, resources and supports are also available. Recognizing that addiction is not exclusive to heroin and opioids, this information may be applicable for alcohol and other drugs.

**Commissioner’s Regulations to Require Instruction in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (“Hands Only” CPR) and Instruction in the Use of Automated External Defibrillators**

• Students in senior high school shall be provided instruction in hands-only CPR and the use of an AED at least once before graduation.

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**REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES**

**Budget and Audit Committee.** Jim Osborne, 1st Vice President

• Thanked the Budget & Audit Committee for their time and hard work.
• Thanked Lisa for a great job in putting together information for review.
• Reviewed what was approved by the Executive Committee at the October 2015 meeting:
  • Membership Dues for 2016-2017 ($810 per school; $.86 per student over 300 students)
  • NYSPHSAA Championship ticket prices will remain as is for 2016-2017
  • NYSPHSAA will pay for lift tickets in Skiing
• Reviewed the 2016-2017 budget and items discussed at the January 2016 Executive Committee meeting to be approved today as part of the 2016-2017 budget:
  • Increase the Sport Coordinator’s stipend from $700 to $750.
  • Increase the transportation rate to Sections from $1.30 to $1.35.
  • The January Executive Committee meeting will be a face-to-face meeting beginning January 2017.

A motion to approve the 2016-2017 budget as presented carried. **Mullins/Staves**
• Reviewed a recommendation made by A.J. Amato (NYSPHSAA Investment Advisor), Frank Venezio (NYSPHSAA Auditor) and Lisa Arnold (NYSPHSAA Treasurer) to transfer money to a bond fund account to increase the interest rate of this money on behalf of the Association. This account continues to be a liquid asset if needed by the Association.

A motion to approve as per the recommendation of A.J. Amato (NYSPHSAA Investment Advisor), Frank Venezio (NYSPHSAA Auditor) and Lisa Arnold (NYSPHSAA Treasurer) to authorize the transfer of up to $800,000 to a bond fund account carried.

Ferry/Staves

Championship Advisory Committee. Joe Altieri, Assistant Director

• The Committee met on April 6, 2016 in the NYSPHSAA Office. The minutes were included in the meeting packet.

• The Committee supported the following proposals to be presented for action at the May 2016 Executive Committee meeting:

  • Girls & Boys Swimming and Diving Qualifying Standards. Joe introduced the proposal. Girls Assistant State Coordinator Pat Ryan reviewed the girls and boys swimming and diving qualifying standards and Boys Swimming State Coordinator Peter Hugo provided input on the proposal.

  • Field Hockey Regional Rotation. Joe explained the proposed nine-year regional rotation.

  • Boys Lacrosse Classification Cutoff Numbers. Joe introduced the proposal and Boys Lacrosse State Coordinator Jim Amen and explained the background and rationale of the cutoff numbers. The CAC was not in agreement with the philosophy of how the boys lacrosse committee established four class cutoff numbers and unanimously defeated the proposal. A second motion to reconsider classification cutoff numbers to provide a more equitable distribution for teams for four classes was approved.

  • Girls Golf Green to Tee Coaching. Joe introduced the proposal. Girls Golf State Coordinator Jamie Harter explained the background and rationale for the proposal.

  • Rifle-Discontinue Small Bore. Joe introduced and explained the proposal to discontinue small bore at the Rifle regionals starting in 2017.

  • Rifle-Adopt New Rule Book. Joe introduced and explained the proposal to adopt the NRA-Precision Air Rifle Position Rules rulebook.

  • Girls Tennis NYSPHSAA/Federation Tournament. Robert introduced and explained the proposal regarding revisions to the NYSPHSAA/Federation Tennis State Tournaments.

  • Girls Lacrosse Classification Cutoff Numbers. Todd introduced and explained the proposed cutoff numbers starting in 2017.

  • Ice Hockey Classification Cutoff numbers. Todd introduced and explained the proposed cutoff numbers beginning in the 2016-2017 school year.

  • Boys Soccer Rotation of Officials. Boys Soccer State Coordinator Mike Andrew introduced and explained the proposal.

• The committee supported but did not vote on the following proposals:

  • Softball Coin Toss at Regionals. Joe introduced the proposal and Softball State Coordinator Cathy Allen explained the rationale. The majority of the CAC supported the current process. This will be a Discussion Item at the May 2016 Executive Committee meeting.

  • Girls Tennis Site 2016. Joe explained the current situation with the Tri-City Tennis Center. They have doubled the rent for year #2 of the bid which was not part of the initial bid for our event there. A Junior National Tournament was also scheduled for the same weekend as our championship. The CAC discussed and supported the USTA National Tennis Center as an alternative but has since
determined they are not a viable option because of the number of courts. Will have an update at the July Central Committee meeting.

- The next meeting of the CAC is scheduled for Wednesday, June 22, 2016 at 11:00 AM in the NYSPHSAA office.

**Handbook Committee.** Patrick Pizzarelli, Chair

- The Committee met on April 6, 2016 via teleconference.

**Action Items Approved/Major Discussion**

- The Committee discussed Section IX Athletic Council’s request to review the following language in the NYSPHSAA Handbook as to why a school cannot merge (combine) to form “multiple” teams instead of a “single” team: “COMBINING OF TEAMS – The joining together of students from two or more member schools in the same district or close proximity to form a single team shall be permitted subject to the following conditions....”

- There was no support from the Committee for any changes to the Combining of Teams Standard. The Committee asked that Robert discuss this issue with the Section Executive Directors to determine if it is an issue in other Sections.

**Representation Standard**

- The Committee felt that the standards should not be modified when questioned about the following two items in the Representation Standard:
  - **NYSPHSAA Handbook:** “NOTE: For the sports of golf and girls gymnastics, a waiver of the Representation Standard may be granted by the NYSPHSAA Executive Director when a student has qualified for participation in the current school year’s NYSPHSAA Championship event and has subsequently transferred to a NYSPHSAA member school. The athlete must meet all other eligibility standards, including transfer, to receive the waiver.”
    **Question:** Is there consideration for permitting the above waiver for “all individual sports” and not just golf and girls gymnastics?
  - **NYSPHSAA Handbook:** “The request is to be submitted prior to the governing board meeting. School districts may submit a written request to the Section for adjustment of contests for individual participant based on medical documentation that confirms the individual was not able to participate in the required number of contests.”
    **Question:** Does it have to only be “medically” related? NYSPHSAA has had three situations that were not “medically” related this school year, but could be perceived as valid reasons for a waiver of the representation standard.

**Fencing**

- Section VIII inquired if the Representation Standard requirement in the sport of Fencing to have a minimum of six (6) contests could be reduced to four (4) contests in order to be eligible for the post season due to substitutes not having entered enough bouts to have met the six required number of contests and therefore ineligible for post season play.
- The Committee felt that a Section already has the ability to make this request annually and that any deviation from this standard would lead to other sports making a similar request.

**Life of an Athlete**

- The Committee recommended the *NYSPHSAA, Inc. Chemical Health Mandate* found in the NYSPHSAA Handbook be taken to the Student Athlete Development Committee for their input pertaining to the “mandate”.

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Combining of Teams
• The Committee would like to review if Sections are using specific criteria for permitting teams to merge.

Future Meeting Date
• Wednesday, June 22, 2016 at 9:00 AM

Student Athlete Development Committee (SADC). Kristen Jadin, Special Programs Coordinator
• The Committee met on February 10, 2017 via teleconference. The minutes were included in the meeting packet.

Discussion Items/Action Taken
• Captains Club Feedback
  • Ten minutes is a good amount of time for student-athlete attention span.
  • Provide more visuals.
• NFHS National Student Leadership Summit
  • NYSSAA Essay Award Winners Caroline Pennacchio from Briarcliff HS (1) and Jonathan Bassett from Johnson City HS (4) will attend.
  • Murphee suggested increasing the number of students attending for next summer (2017).
• Life of an Athlete Presentation
  • The Marathon HS student-athletes presented their Life of an Athlete program to the SADC and the Athletic Directors attending the conference.
• Scholar Athlete
  • NYSPHSAA President Stephen Broadwell charged the SADC to discuss ideas to revitalize the Scholar Athlete Program. The SADC made the following suggestions:
    • No minimum number for a small team. If the team is recognized by the School District, then it is considered a team.
    • Only include student-athletes who have a 90 or above GPA.
    • The members of the SADC were indifferent towards the Scholar Athlete Team Award Champion. If people are unhappy with it, the Committee suggested creating a Scholar Athlete Team Champion for the number of classifications the sport has.
    • Include sports with Regional Championships (Rifle, Girls Ice Hockey, Fencing).
• New England Student Leadership Conference
  • The conference is scheduled for July 26-29 at Stone Hill College in Massachusetts.
  • Kristen spoke with Peter from the MIAA who stated the conference is similar each year. Therefore, it would not be worth it for the students who already attended to attend again.
  • SADC Section Reps will help recruit students from their respective Sections. The goal is to have 22 student-athletes total; 2 students from each Section.
  • A suggestion was made to possibly add transportation to costs for these students; potentially meet in one location and bus to the conference.
• Criteria/Application Process for SAAC Members
  • Kristen developed a draft application and sent it to the Committee. It will be discussed at their next meeting.

Student Athlete Advisory Committee. Kristen Jadin, Special Programs Coordinator
• The Committee met on February 23, 2016 via teleconference.

Discussion Items/Action Taken
• Mission Statement Discussion
• The Committee felt the association and student-athletes need to get the word out about leadership opportunities and programs offered at NYSPHSAA.
• Suggestions for NYSPHSAA Programs
  • Motivational speakers offered to member schools.
  • A New York State Leadership Conference.
  • Interact with athletes at Special Olympics as community service through NYSPHSAA.
  • Develop a program that focuses on team unity/building.
• NESLC
  • Students who have attended the New England Student Leadership Conference would like to attend again, possibly in a leadership capacity.
• Scholar Athlete
  • The students did not have much of an opinion on this matter. Some did express the pins were not well liked. Murphee Hayes mentioned this may be due to the fact that letterman’s jackets were no longer popular.
• NYSPHSAA Captains Club and Twitter promoted as communication methods.
• Kristen will create a forum to start the discussion on a mission statement and for other ideas or suggestions.
• Parent information needs to be sent to Kristen.

Safety Committee. Todd Nelson, Assistant Director

Extreme Temperature Situations/Heat Acclimatization
• The NYSPHSAA is interested in improving our current Heat Index and Wind Chill Procedure by securing a reliable and accurate source to obtain the Heat Index or Wind Chill readings.
• The Committee heard presentations from Weather Bug and AccuWeather regarding weather alert systems.
• The Committee also discussed the recommendation from the NATA and the Korey Stringer Institute that states the gold standard is to take the reading on site. They also recommended using a WBGT reading within a policy.
• The committee discussed all of the options and has made a recommendation to the Executive Committee.
• The Committee will continue to discuss and be involved with the Heat Acclimatization discussion within the Association.

Concussion Management
• NYSPHSAA has made a request to ImPact to revise the amount of baseline and post-injury tests purchased by the Association.
• NYSIR has made a very commendable offer to their member schools to provide free baseline tests and post-injury tests. NYSIR only covers 12 sports at the Varsity and JV level; does not cover Modified. The tests are good for two years. Schools are given a separate login for the NYSIR tests.
• Schools can still purchase tests from NYSPHSAA if they want to test the sports not covered by NYSIR or test non-athletes.
• ImPact and NYSPHSAA has one more year remaining on a three year contract.

Baseball Pitch Count vs. Innings Count
• More and more State Associations are moving from innings count to pitch counts.
• Currently NYSPHSAA has a maximum number of innings a player can pitch during a day and a week.
• Many studies have been done showing the effects of overuse injuries to pitchers around the country.
• The Safety Committee is requesting that the NYSPHSAA Baseball Committee consider recommending changing from maximum number of innings to maximum number of pitches allowed per pitcher.
Discussion Items
- Modified Recommendations – Football Pilot Program, Minimum Number of Practices, Game Schedules
- USA Football Heads Up Coaching Education Program – NYSPHSAA Endorsement
- “Tommy Tough” Football Standards
- NYSPHSAA Strategic Plan Health and Safety Initiatives
- Anyone Can Save a Life

Modified Committee.  Jim Rose and Judy Salerno, Modified Co-Coordinators
- The Committee met on April 1, 2016 at the NYSPHSAA office.  Minutes of the meeting were included in the meeting packet.

Discussion Items for Future Approval
- The following proposals are to be brought back to the Sections for discussion for a possible vote at the July Central Committee meeting:
  - **Modified Winter and Spring Starting Dates.** “The starting week for the Modified Winter season will be week 20 and the starting week for the Modified Spring season will be Week 37.” The NYSPHSAA Executive Committee asked the Modified Committee to discuss the starting dates for the modified season to begin one week later than the start of the High School season instead of the current start dates being one week earlier than the High School season. Sections that have four seasons would still be able to establish an earlier start date for the Winter season following the regulation in the Handbook.
  - **Modified Football Rule Changes.** “With Section/League approval, the two-year modified football pilot program rule changes may be adopted for use.” Section IV proposed a two-year pilot program to allow for rule changes in the sport of football. These rule changes lessened the restrictions put on the modified football programs. All schools who participated in the pilot program were required to submit an annual injury report. The Modified and Safety Committees reviewed the injury data and concluded there was no evidence of an increase in injuries during the pilot program.
  - **Modified Soccer Shin Guards – Handbook.** “Consider approval to remove the Modified Soccer Game Rule #4b (Equipment) from the NYSPHSAA Handbook. This rule states: ‘Shin guards must be worn at all times by all players.’” This rule is already a part of the NFHS Soccer Rule Book.
  - **Modified Goalie Jersey Number.** “Consider approval to extend the waiver of the Modified Soccer Game Rule #12, the NFHS regulation requiring the boys’ and girls’ soccer goalie uniform jersey shall be numbered until the 2017-2018 season.” The NFHS rule book states all goalie jerseys must be numbered. The Modified Committee is recommending the current waiver be extended to 2017-2018.
  - **Modified Practice Requirements.** “To change the minimum number of practices required for all modified sports. The change would include adding a minimum number for the team and individual.” Rationale: Our modified athletes are not playing high school games rules; game rules and conditions have already been developed and modified to meet our modified athletics philosophy; we are the only state in the tri-state region with established modified rules and games; we play fewer games and every game is a training situation; we want to keep and enhance athletes’ participation in our school programs; by requiring fewer minimum practices contests can begin sooner which would allow for more instruction and coaching during the season. The Safety Committee had no objections to this change.
  - **Modified Football Game Schedule.** “The modified 11-Man and 8-Man Football Game Condition #2: ‘These games shall be scheduled with no more than one game per week’ shall be edited to ‘These games shall be scheduled with no more than three games in 14 days.’” This language would allow leagues that have odd numbers of teams or need to reschedule games the opportunity to do so without extending the season. The Safety Committee had no objections to this change.
3-Point Shot in Modified Boys’ and Girls’ Basketball

- The Committee is sending out an online survey to gather data to support the rule or to drop it at the modified level. It will be sent to basketball coaches, building and district Athletic Directors and physical education teachers at both the modified and high school levels. The deadline to return the survey is June 2, 2016.

Future Meeting Dates

- Fall: Friday, September 23, 2016 at 9:30 AM
- Spring: Friday, March 31, 2017 at 9:30 AM

Officials Coordinating Federation. Todd Nelson, Assistant Director

- The Committee met on May 5, 2016 via teleconference.
- They briefly discussed the Workman’s Compensation issue as it pertains to officials.
- Reported Section 6 and Section 1 had a concern with the selection of wrestling officials for the state championships. This will be added to the Wrestling Committee’s agenda at their next meeting.
- Reported on the Volleyball Officials issue with regards to asking for officials names in June for the November championships. Patti Perone, Girls Volleyball State Coordinator, was taking it upon herself to contact the three officials coming from the Sections and getting them to commit to our championship and it was very time consuming. At the Volleyball Committee meeting, Robert asked why Patti was taking on that responsibility. It is the Sections’ responsibility to provide the officials for the championship and therefore should be the Sections’ responsibility to contact the official to make sure they’re available to work the championship. The process will now be that Sections will provide officials names by the beginning of October.

Sportsmanship Committee. Todd Nelson, Assistant Director & Kristen Jadin, Special Programs Coordinator

- Kristen is transitioning to taking over the sportsmanship programs.

NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Programs Update

- **Sportsmanship Promotion Program.** The on-line survey has been distributed to all Sections/schools. The survey deadline was May 2, 2016. Banner and plaque award winners will be announced June 1st.
- **Battle of the Fans.** Congratulated Webster-Schroeder High School (5) as the 2015-2016 of the Battle of the Fans Champion. The NYSPHSAA is evaluating and discussing the future of this program.
- **Stay in the Game.** Sections report schools that have had a coach/player disqualified from a contest at any level. Schools that have had zero disqualifications will receive a decal for their Time Warner Cable Stay in the Game banner. The decals will be distributed at the AD workshops in the Fall. Schools are reminded that banners should be displayed in the schools.
- **NAIA 5 Star Leadership Program.** The NYSPHSAA staff is committed to promote this program for one more year to our member schools and evaluate the effectiveness of the program with our members.
- **NFHS Student Leadership Conference.** Kristen will be accompanying the two students who won the NYSAAA Student Leadership Essay contest to Indianapolis for this conference.
- **New England Leadership Conference.** A contingent of NYSPHSAA students from all Sections will be attending the 2016 New England Leadership Conference in Massachusetts in July.
- **Captains Club.** Kristen started this program for student leaders. This is a monthly webinar for student leaders in all of our member schools. An email is sent out monthly to all schools with a link to register. For more information, contact Kristen at kjadin@nysphsaa.org.

Artificial Noise Makers

- The Sportsmanship Committee has made a recommendation regarding artificial noise makers. The proposal was included in the meeting packet.
Next Meeting
- The Committee’s next meeting is scheduled for September 27, 2016 at 1:00 PM via conference call.

GENERAL ACTION ITEMS

Section Participation in 2016-2017 NYSPHSAA Championships & Regionals
A motion to approve for Section participation in 2016-2017 NYSPHSAA Championships and Regionals as per the NYSPHSAA Constitution, Article V, 5 carried. Mullins/Veley

Single Soccer Official
A motion to approve the following Single Soccer Official rule carried. Simmons/Pizzarelli
“It is permissible to conduct a soccer game with a single official, provided both teams agree to a single referee before the game begins.”

Waiver of “All White” Soccer Uniform for Sub-Varsity
A motion to approve to waive the NFHS “all white” soccer uniform rule for Modified/Freshmen/JV soccer teams for the 2016 and 2017 seasons carried. Brewer/Mullins

Sport Coordinator
A motion to approve the reappointment of George Hathaway as Rifle State Coordinator to another 5 year term effective September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2020 carried. Bergman/Carboine

Boys Lacrosse West Semifinal Facility
A motion to approve St. John Fisher and Cicero-North Syracuse High School as the site of the Boys Lacrosse West Semifinal for 2017, 2018 and 2019 carried. Mullins/Ceruti

Boys Lacrosse East Semifinal Facility
A motion to approve the University of Albany and Adelphia University as the site of the Boys Lacrosse East Semifinal for 2017, 2018 and 2019 carried. Mullins/Ceruti

Boys Lacrosse Championship Facility
A motion to approve St. John Fisher as the site of the Boys Lacrosse Championships for 2017, 2018 and 2019 carried. Mullins/Ceruti

Girls Lacrosse Championship Facility
A motion to approve SUNY Cortland as the site of the Girls Lacrosse Championships for 2017, 2018 and 2019 carried. Mullins/Ceruti

Girls Golf – Coaching During NYSPHSAA Championship
A motion to approve as a Point of Emphasis to allow coaches to coach their athletes from green to tee during the NYSPHSAA Girls State Championship, starting in 2016 carried. Greene/Pizzarelli

Girls Lacrosse 4 Classification Cut-Off Numbers
A motion to approve the 4 classification cut-off numbers for the NYSPHSAA Girls Lacrosse Championships (Class A, B, C, D) effective for the 2017 season carried. Carboine/Dopp
(The new cut-off numbers are: Class A: 1075-up; Class B: 790-1074; Class C: 475-789; Class D: 474-down)
Boys Ice Hockey Classification Cut-Off Numbers
- Scott Stuart, Ice Hockey State Coordinator, presented the Ice Hockey Committee’s proposal.
A motion to approve to adjust Ice Hockey cut-off numbers from the current 1100 to 1000 to even out the Divisional breakdown and provide more equitable competition for the smaller, single school programs effective for the 2016-2017 season carried. Staves/Ferry

Girls and Boys Swimming & Diving Qualifying Standards
- Patrick Ryan, Girls Swimming Assistant Coordinator, presented the proposal.
A motion to approve the 2016-2017 NYSPHSAA Girls and Boys Swimming and Diving Qualifying Championship Meet Standards carried. Greene/Ryan-Curry

Gymnastics Standard Calendar
- Marbry Gansle, Girls Gymnastics State Sport Coordinator, presented the Girls Gymnastics Committee proposal. If the Girls Gymnastics State Championship remained on Week #34 only, there would be numerous conflicts with club competitions on the weekend of February break. This would have a direct impact on the ability to have officials for the NYSPHSAA Championships.
A motion to approve Girls Gymnastics abides by the same standard calendar as Skiing on Weeks #34/#35 carried. Dopp/Pizzarelli

Federation Tennis Proposal
- Robert Zayas presented the proposal. Currently NYSPHSAA student-athletes are being eliminated from the NYSPHSAA Girls & Boys Tennis Championships by “non” NYSPHSAA association student-athletes because the CHSAA (girls) and PSAL (boys) participate within the NYSPHSAA Championships. It is possible for the finals of the NYSPHSAA Championships to not include NYSPHSAA student-athletes.
A motion to approve revisions to the NYS Federation Tennis Championships effective the 2016-2017 school year carried. Dopp/Staves

Waiver of Representation Rule
A motion to approve a reduction from 6 to 4 in the required number of contests in Boys Tennis in Section VII carried. Mullins/Ceruti

FRIEND AND NEIGHBOR
A motion to approve the following applications for Friend and Neighbor status carried. Mullins/Ceruti (Expires August 2018).

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DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame Class of 2016
- The Class of 2016 NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame Inductees are: Nina Van Erk (VIII), Administrator; Joseph L. Cipp, Jr.
The six inductees will be honored this summer at the NYSPHSAA’s Annual Hall of Fame Banquet on Wednesday, July 27th at Turning Stone Resort.

2016-2017 and 2017-2018 NYSPHSAA Calendar
- Has been sent to all Section Executive Directors.
- Trying to send out information as far in advance as possible.

- Treasurer Lisa Arnold has updated the internal financial policies and procedures of the Association and has created a Financial Policies & Procedures Manual which was included in the meeting packet for review.

Rifle – Discontinue Small Bore at NYSPHSAA Regional
- The Rifle Committee and CAC voted unanimously in recommending the discontinuation of small bore/.22 and replacing it with 3-P air rifle starting with the 2017 NYSPHSAA Regional Championship.
- Most NYSPHSAA schools participate in 3-P Air and very few participate in small bore due to not having the equipment.
- The formats of NCAA and Olympic shooting programs are starting to add 3-P Air.
- West Point has also modified its range to accommodate 3-P Air.
- This will appear as an Action Item at the July Central Committee meeting.

Rifle – Adoption of New Rule Book
- The Rifle Committee and CAC voted unanimously in recommending the sport of Rifle adopt NRA-Precision Air Rifle Position Rules

Future of Senior All-Star Contests Application
- The current process requires Sections to approve Senior All-Star contests and receive approval (via signature) from the NYSPHSAA Executive Director Robert Zayas. Could Sections continue to approve the Senior All-Star contests and simply report the approval to the NYSPHSAA similar to the practice utilized for merged teams?

Future of Student Code of Conduct Forms
- The NYSPHSAA Code of Conduct form covers Responsibilities and Guidelines for Athletes and Coaches Participating in Regional and Championship Contests. Are the responsibilities and guidelines a duplicated effort as schools are ultimately responsible for the behavior and penalties of the students representing their school? Does the NYSPHSAA have any jurisdiction to punish or discipline a student-athlete for a violation of the Code of Conduct? If the Code of Conduct form were to be eliminated, how would the “Consent for the use of Photography for Publicity or Advertising Purposes” be handled? The Code of Conduct form currently includes language that authorizes the school’s coach or administrator, or tournament official to act on behalf of the student in authorizing emergency medical, dental, surgical care and hospitalization in absence of a parent. How does a school handle medical release in all other events throughout the season?
- This will be a discussion item for the Cracker Barrel session at the July Central Committee meeting.

Revisions to the Scholar Athlete Program
- After addressing concerns from the membership, NYSPHSAA President, Stephen Broadwell and Executive Director, Robert Zayas charged Special Programs Coordinator Kristen Jadin to evaluate the current Scholar
Athlete program to revitalize the program in order to recognize more student athletes throughout New York.

- The current program is viewed as a competition rather than a recognition program. Currently, it does not recognize the individual student athlete, but does recognize a small number of students on a team. Other concerns include the lack of recognition for sports without state championships (i.e. girls ice hockey, badminton, fencing, rifle, etc.) and discrepancies with grades (weighted vs. unweighted).
- Kristen reviewed the proposed revised criteria to the NYSPHSAA Scholar Athlete Team Award Program.
- Kristen and the SADC will also review the criteria for the School of Distinction Award and bring their recommendations to the Executive Committee.

Boys Lacrosse 4 Classification Cut-Off Numbers

- Jim Amen, Boys Lacrosse State Coordinator presented the Boys Lacrosse Committee’s proposal of the 4 classification cut-off numbers for the NYSPHSAA Boys Lacrosse Championships effective for the 2017 season.
- The proposed numbers are: Class A: 1050-Up (87 schools); Class B: 1049-750 (84 schools); Class C: 749-501 (67 schools); Class D: 500-down (98 schools).
- At the April 6, 2016 CAC meeting, this proposal was unanimously defeated and in a new motion requested the boys lacrosse committee to reconsider the classification numbers with more equitable distribution for teams in four classes.
- The boys lacrosse committee wanted the proposal brought to the Executive Committee meeting for discussion and then brought back to the Sections for discussion with a possible vote at the July Central Committee meeting.

Endorsement of USA Football’s Heads Up Tackling Program

- The NYSPHSAA is committed to reducing risk to student athletes through rules, equipment and coaching education. Studies have shown football teams who have coaches trained in the Heads Up program have fewer head injuries and fewer helmet to helmet contacts.
- A school that agrees to use the Heads Up program will have each coach on the football coaching staff take an on-line training through the NFHS. After each coach completes the on-line training, one or two coaches will attend a 4 hour in person training to become a player safety coach. The player safety coach will return to the coaching staff to complete the training for all the other coaches. Once the training is complete, each coach will receive a $1 million dollar liability coverage from USA Football. The training is done on an annual basis.
- The NYSPHSAA Safety Committee and the Football Committee supports this endorsement.

A motion to approve for NYSPHSAA to endorse the USA Football Heads Up Coaching Education Program carried. Pizzarelli/Mullins

Artificial Noise Makers

- The Sportsmanship Committee feels artificial noise makers are not being used to promote positive sportsmanship at our interscholastic events and are looking for a consistent rule across the state.
- They have recommended the following proposed language be taken back to the Sections for discussion for a vote at the July Central Committee meeting: “Spectators are prohibited from using any artificial noise maker at all interscholastic contests. Artificial noise makers are any man-made item used by a spectator during a contest/scrimmage to make noise.”

Change in Heat Index and Wind Chill Procedure

- Assistant Director Todd Nelson presented the Safety Committee’s proposal to consider WeatherBug to be the source to obtain the current heat index and wind chill reading for all member schools.
- WeatherBug has multiple weather stations across NYS which will enable our schools to receive accurate and
reliable information during extreme heat situations.

- He and Chris Joyce, NYSPHSAA Director of Sales & Marketing reviewed a weather service summary between AccuWeather and WeatherBug which showed what each had to offer.

**Minimum Required Cheer and Dance in a Routine**

- Assistant Director Todd Nelson presented the Cheerleading Committee’s proposal to consider for future implementation to require a minimum of 15 seconds of cheer and three 8 counts of dance in every competitive cheerleading routine as a way to continue to emphasize the importance of both cheerleading and dance in a routine.

**Waiver of the Challenge Review System for Boys & Girls Volleyball**

- Judy Hartman, Boys Volleyball State Coordinator presented the Boys and Girls Volleyball Committees proposal to waive the new NCAA Challenge Review System (CRS) for Boys and Girls Volleyball.
- The CRS is not required although there will be those who will push to use it. An additional person to film would add cost to the match. The time needed to review the call would add to the length of the match.
- Asked to take this back to the Sections for discussion for a possible vote at the July Central Committee meeting.

**Section VI Boys Volleyball Pilot Program**

- Judy Hartmann, Boys Volleyball State Coordinator presented Section VI Boys Volleyball coaches proposal to consider approval for Section VI to make the score of the 5th set 15 points with teams switching at 8 points a pilot program.
- Presently the 5th game is played to 25 points as a result of a rule modification. If the pilot program results are positive, the Boys Volleyball Committee may request that we no longer modify the NCAA Rule.

**Softball – Coin Toss for Home/Away at Regional Games**

- During a Discussion Item at the January 29, 2016 Executive Committee meeting, Section 1 brought up that it had come to their attention last spring during the Softball Regionals, the Section that is hosting the game is not necessarily the host team which differs from Baseball. They requested this be revisited. Robert Zayas reported it had been discussed at the Section Executive Directors meeting on January 26th and was asked to be brought to the CAC for discussion at their April meeting.
- At the April 6, 2016 CAC meeting, the majority of the committee supported the current process.
- Cathy Allen, NYSPHSAA Softball Coordinator, addressed this concern stating it was brought up at their June 2015 Committee meeting. It was unanimously approved by the Softball Committee to continue to use a coin flip at a pre-game plate conference to determine home/away at Regional games. This would allow travel equity for schools. The Committee voted 11-0 to continue to use this method for Regional games which has been used since 1984.

A motion to approve in Softball from Regional competition on, the host team is the home team effective the 2016 season carried.  

(The votes by Section were:  Section 1:  2 yes; Section 2:  2 yes; Section 3:  2 yes; Section 4:  2 yes; Section 5:  2 no; Section 6:  2 yes; Section 7:  2 yes; Section 8:  2 yes; Section 9:  2 yes; Section 10:  2 yes; Section 11:  2 yes.  20 Yes/2 No)

**Girls Volleyball – Definition of a Match**

- The Girls Volleyball Committee seeks approval of the following definition of a match so there is clarification between a match and tournament. A match should consist of sets in a best of 3 of 5 format, all 25 point
games. Dual and tri matches are consistent with the definition of a match. A tournament is 4 or more teams that participate in a pool play and bracket format. A bracket can consist of best 2 of 3 or single set rounds. Scoring options are starting at 0-0 or 4-4 going until 25 points or a cap.

- The Committee unanimously supported the proposed definition. There was no voting or feedback from the CAC as the committee meeting took place after the CAC meeting. The Boys Volleyball Committee has not discussed this.
- This will be an action item at the July Central Committee meeting.

**Strategic Plan 2016-2017 – 2020-2021**

- The NYSPHSAA Strategic Planning Committee met in Albany on April 4-5, 2016. Ryan Sherman, Superintendent at Schuylerville CSD, served as the Chair of the Committee. Each Section had representation on the Committee along with NYSPHSAA Officers and Past Presidents, NYSAAA, individual sports coordinator and team sports coordinator.
- The Committee was divided into four subcommittees which focused on Operations, Health & Safety, Programs and Finance. They analyzed data from a membership survey which included responses from 264 athletic directors.
- The Committee will review a draft of the strategic initiatives in May. A final draft will be presented to the Central Committee for approval at the July 26-28, 2016 Central Committee meeting.

**Additional Language to the Combining of Teams Standard**

- Consider for future approval the following language be added to the Combining of Teams Standard to provide the Section and school with a “next step” if a merger is denied at the League/Section level, “5. If a merger is denied by the Section or League, schools have the ability to resubmit a merger request using 100% of all schools BEDS enrollment numbers.”

**Boys Soccer – Rotation of Officials**

- The Boys Soccer Committee is requesting to expand the rotation of official’s bye; one Section’s officials do not work at our tournament each year. Presently, a bye is rotated between Sections 5, 6 and 10. The Committee would like to rotate the bye between the ten sections not hosting the championships, always using the host Section’s officials.

**NYSPHSAA Media Credential Policy**

- Due to media feedback and concerns raised during the 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 school years, revisions have been made to the NYSPHSAA Media Credential Policy to reflect new and emerging digital services, freelance and commercial personnel, scouting, team personnel and family and to include legal language to protect NYSPHSAA.
- A draft of the updated media policy will be distributed to the Section Executive Directors for discussion with Coordinators.
- If passed at the July Central Committee meeting, it will go into effect for the 2016-2017 school year.

**Girls Basketball – Waiver to use a Non-Orange Basketball**

- The Girls Basketball Committee will be requesting a waiver to use a non-orange basketball for any game during the regular season.

**Girls Basketball – Number of Timeouts in a Game**

- The Girls Basketball Committee will be requesting to change the number of timeouts in a game to four full
Field Hockey – New Regional Rotation
- The Field Hockey Committee is proposing a new 9-year Regional rotation starting November 2016. Due to the uneven number of Sections who participate in Field Hockey, the Regional rotation gives each Section the opportunity to participate in the out bracket contest. The current rotation expired in 2015, therefore the necessity for a new 9-year Regional rotation.
- The CAC voted unanimously in favor of this proposal at their April 6, 2016 meeting.
- This will be an action item at the July Central Committee meeting.

COMBINING OF SCHOOLS
The following combining school teams have been approved by the respective leagues and sections for the 2016-2017 school years, and are presented for your information. (Eligibility Standard #6)

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SENIOR ALL-STAR CONTESTS
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REPORTS FROM CONSULTANTS

NYS Athletic Administrators Association. Scott Sugar, Vice President

Conference

- The NYSAAA 2016 Athletic Directors Conference was very successful. The 2017 conference is already in the planning stages.
- All five general session speakers were excellent and the workshop presentations very well done.
- Three special awards and 12 chapter awards were presented at the Roy O’Neill Awards Banquet. Recipients are listed on their website. Pictures are on their Shutterfly site www.shutterfly.com/NYSAAA.
- The third Hall of Fame class was inducted at the Dave Martens Awards Luncheon. They are in the final stages of selecting the 2017 hall of Fame Class. Nominations are now being taken for the 2018 class. Hall of Fame forms and information are available on their website. The postmark deadline is December 1, 2016. The NYSAAA Hall of Fame may be viewed on their website in the “History” drop down menu. Inductees are listed on the website and pictures can be found on Shutterfly.
- Prior to the conference lunch and Hall of fame Ceremony, the Executive Board made a presentation and recognized Executive Director Alan Mallanda by dedicating the Hall of fame Ceremony at the Awards Luncheon in his name. It will now be known as the Alan A. Mallanda, CMAA, Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony.
- The Sparky Rector Drop In Center was again available in the exhibit hall for two days. The association is transitioning into a virtual Sparky Rector Drop In Center on their website over the next couple of years. They are requesting materials that can be scanned be sent to Brett Banker, CAA for uploading onto the website.
- There were 275 attendees and 109 exhibitor booths. Corporate sponsorship also saw another great year.
- There were over 20 workshops covering all areas of athletic administration vital to today’s high school programs and students and dealing with cutting edge issues facing today’s athletic administrators.
- Next year’s conference will be held on March 15-17, 2017 at the Saratoga Hilton & Conference Center, Saratoga Springs.

Board News and Actions

- New officers on the Executive Board are: Murphee Hayes, President (their first female President); Liam Frawley, CMAA, President-Elect; Scott Sugar, CAA, Vice President; Dr. James Wright, CMAA, immediate Past President.
- Roger Brown, CMAA was elected to another 2 year term as Secretary; Mike Giruzzi, CAA will continue in his second year of term as Treasurer; Dennis Fries, CMAA will continue as the State Liaison to the NIAAA.
- In action two years ago by the Executive Board, the NYSAAA required all board members to have a minimum of a CAA certification in order to serve on the Board. That goal was achieved this year. The Board felt that it should serve as a role model for all athletic administrators in NYS relative to professional development and certification.
- The association continues to work in support with the NYSPHSAA on issues relative to athletic administration in New York State. The issue before us now is developing a requirement in NYS for all athletic administrators to have a basic certification and to develop a strategic plan that would achieve that goal. Currently, there is no required certification in NYS to be an athletic administrator in our high schools. There is an enormous issue of safety, liability and competence that our schools are facing in the administration of these major programs.
Professional Development

- The NYSSAAN and Nassau BOCES continue to partner in offering Leadership Training Courses in Nassau County. BOCES is providing a grant for up to 15 athletic directors to take each course. They are looking into developing COCERS with other BOCES across the state to facilitate LTC offerings.
- Chapter IV (Binghamton area) has applied for a grant from the NIAAA to offer outreach programs in Leadership Training in locations outside of the city of Binghamton next fall.
- The CAA Exam was offered again at the annual conference on Friday morning. Six athletic administrators took the exam and passed. It will be offered again on June 20th at 1 PM at the NYSPHSAA office in Latham.
- The Section 1 Summer Institute will again be offered in Brewster, MA on Cape Cod June 26-29, 2016 with 15 LTI courses offered. Information and registration forms are available on their website.

Membership

- The NYSSAAN has once again received an NIAAA commendation for maintaining an 80% membership. They were also once again the highest membership state in the nation.

Website

- Athletic Administrators are encouraged to visit their website regularly to keep up on the latest information and association news. Links have been provided between the NYSPHSAA and NYSSAAN as well as other professional associations on each of their respective websites.
- The next newsletter is going to be released in mid-May. Past issues can be found on their website.
- Conference photos can be found and accessed on our Shutterfly website, www.nysaaa.shutterfly.com, using the password “member” if needed to gain access. Photos can be downloaded or purchased from the Shutterfly site.

NIAAA/NFHS

- The NIAAA/NFHS Annual Athletic Directors Conference is scheduled for December in Nashville, TN at the Opryland Hotel.
- A number of LTI courses are being offered again this summer and next fall as webinars by the NIAAA. Information may be found on the NIAAA and NYSSAAN websites as to courses, dates, times and requirements.
- Four representatives from New York attended the NIAAA Section One Spring meeting in Connecticut. Attending were Dennis Fries, CMAA; Alan Mallanda, CMAA; Murphee Hayes, CAA and Peter Shambo, CMAA.
- Peter Shambo, CMAA was selected by Section 1 to represent all eight Section 1 states in the NIAAA At-Large election for the NIAAA Board of Directors in December at the national conference.
- The NIAAA announced Dennis Fries, CMAA, Irondequoit, will be inducted into the NIAAA Hall of Fame this December in Nashville, TN. Congratulations to Dennis on becoming the fourth New Yorker to be inducted into the NIAAA Hall of Fame. Dennis was inducted last year into the NYSSAAN Hall of Fame and Cortland “C” Club Hall of Fame.

Other

- The NYSSAAN thanked the NYSPHSAA and Robert Zayas for their continued support and partnership. Together, this kind of relationship can only benefit the student athletes of New York State.

A motion to approve adjournment of the May 2016 Executive Committee meeting on Friday, May 6, 2016 at 3:15 PM carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Zayas
Executive Director