The Executive Committee meeting was called to order by President Kathryn Faber at 9:05 AM on October 25, 2004. President Faber requested a moment of silence for former Secretary, Marilyn Frinks who passed away in September. Executive Director Nina VanErk announced the Berne-Knox-Westerlo School District has named their new track in honor of Assistant Director Walter Eaton. President Faber introduced members of the Executive Committee and took attendance as follows:

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

**Past Presidents**
- Marc Martone
- Richard McGuire
- Thad Mularz
- Tony Sabella
- Jim Tolle
- Dean Veenhof

**Honorary Past President**
- Al Doyle

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

**Ex-Officio & Consultants**
- Carol Rog, Handbook Coordinator
- Patti Murphy, ACTION on TARGET Co-Coord.
- Allan Mallanda, Ex. Director-NYSAAA
- Tom Stewart, President-NYSOCOA
- Kent Gray, SED

**Section Executive Directors**
- Greg Ransom (1)
- Doug Kenyon (2)
- Ben Nelson (4)
- Bob Dinse (6)
- John Gallagher, Ed.D (7)
Guests
Rise Van Iderstine, Section 2
Jim Osborne, Treasurer-Section 9
Dennis O’Brien-B. Skiing State Coordinator

The August 2004 Central Committee minutes were APPROVED as amended in a motion by Quimby/Kenyon with the following corrections: (Page 6-7) The Transfer Rule should read as, Students who return from a non public school to the public school of their residency shall be exempt from the transfer rule AND that such a transfer without penalty will only be permitted once in a high school career.; (Page 10) Under Girls Lacrosse, the following motion was omitted: In a motion by Putney/Ferenz it was approved to permit goalkeepers, once they have signed in with the official scorer, to go down to the end of the field, on the sideline and wait behind the visible soft boundary until a dead ball situation and then she may exchange places with the goal keeper on the field.

ORAL AND PRINTED REPORTS WERE PRESENTED BY ASSOCIATION OFFICERS AND STAFF

Executive Director Nina Van Erk reported on the conferences, meetings and championships she attended during the months of August through October. She announced the NYSPHSAA in conjunction with the NYSAAA has scheduled an Athletic Directors Conference for November 29-30, 2004 at the Holiday Inn-Turf, Albany. She stated brochures have been mailed to all athletic administrators and personalized invitations have been sent to new directors that were identified by the Section Executive Directors. She reported members of the cross country, winter track and spring track committee will be meeting on October 28th to discuss and define a strategy to educate coaches/administrators and prevent schools from sponsoring out of season competition. She announced questions regarding collegiate eligibility can be directed to the NCAA at 1-317-917-6222 Monday through Friday between noon and 4:00PM Central Time. She reported that on October 6th she met with representatives from the NCAA First Team regarding their initiative to help combat the negative influences placed on the very young and talented male basketball players. She reminded nominations for the 2005 NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame are due to the Association office by December 15th and that all nominations must be endorsed by a Section. She stated the 2004-2005 NYSPHSAA Directory was included in the meeting folders. She reported information on the Student Leadership Conference scheduled for February 24, 2005 at the Holiday Inn-Turf will be mailed to schools in early December. In a motion by Greene/Staves it was APPROVED for the 2005 October Executive Committee meeting to remain a Sunday/Monday format. Future meeting dates were noted as follows:

Todd Heimer (8)
Carl Normandin (10)
Ed Cinelli (11)
Assistant Director Walter Eaton reported updated schedules of dates/sites for 2004-05 and beyond were in the meeting folders. He stated provisions for Emergency Crowd Control and AED are in place for the Fall State Championships. He noted the State Courtesy cards along with a photo ID will be honored at the Carrier Dome Box Office at the Gate B entrance for both the Football West Semi-finals (Nov. 19-20) and the Finals (Nov. 26-27). He asked that anyone who would like a parking pass for either or both weekends at the Carrier Dome to please contact him in advance via email or fax. He stated the minutes of the State Sports Coordinators meeting as held in conjunction with the Central Committee’s group meetings in Canandaigua in August were included in the meeting folders. He noted their next meeting will be held at the same time as the Central Committee’s group meetings in August 2005. He announced instructions and application forms for the Scholar/Athlete Team Award are now only available online by going to the Association website. He passed around samples of the new look for the 2004-05 Scholar/Athlete pins. He stated Friday, December 3, 2004 is the deadline for the Fall 2004 Scholar/Athlete Team award application. He reported he had conducted his first meeting on September 28, 2004 as President of the NYS Federation. He announced the next meeting of the Federation Council will be December 7, 2004 when bids for the 2006 and 2007 Basketball tournaments will be presented.

Assistant Director Lloyd Mott reported letters have been sent to each Section office outlining the procedure of the collection of BEDS numbers from member schools. He announced the schedule for the 2005 Coaches Clinics as follows:

Lacrosse @ SUNY Cortland – January 28, 2005
Softball @ U. Binghamton – February 4, 2005
Baseball @ Hall of Fame, Cooperstown – March 4, 2005
Field Hockey @ Radisson, Utica – March 18, 2005
Track/Field & Cross Country @ Radisson, Utica – March 18 & 19, 2005
Soccer @ Hall of Fame, Oneonta – May 20, 2005
Volleyball @ SUNY Oneonta – June 17, 2005 (tentative)

He stated an All-Sports Conditioning and Injury Prevention Clinic is tentatively scheduled for February 11, 2005 at the Holiday Inn, Saratoga. He reported he met with members of the Coaching Education/Certification Committee at the NYSCOA Conference in Utica on October 4, 2004. He noted the committee has established two goals: improve the consistency of course content and make necessary additions and to improve the quality and consistency of the coaching course resources. He stated Kent Gray provided a list of certified instructors for coaching certification along with the
SED course outlines for the three required courses and that these materials will be shared with all the committee members who will meet at the NYSSAA Conference in March.

**Assistant Director Joe Altieri** reported on the sport committee meetings, Section Athletic Council meetings, corporate sponsorship meetings and the NFHS Section 1 meeting he attended during the months of August through October. He stated the Association may soon be entering into an agreement with Time Warner Cable to broadcast selected State tournaments in the Syracuse area and to make them available statewide to cable and non-cable operators. He reported the following sponsorships have been secured: A one-year agreement from CSEA; Nike sponsorship of a new publication for our Cross Country championships; Greater Binghamton Coalition sponsorship to assist in marketing the girls soccer tournament via transit advertising in Binghamton; Citadel Communications sponsorship to assist in marketing the girls soccer and cross country championships through radio campaigns and WSRK/WDOS Radio in Oneonta has agreed to an in-kind sponsorship in marketing the boys soccer tournament. He stated the final amount of business with the Holiday Inn for 2003-04 exceeded $225,000 which will earn the Association an additional $3,900 in sponsorship money from our Holiday Inn contract. He noted the Fall radio campaign for championships in girls soccer, boys soccer, field hockey and football will include ticket giveaways this year. He presented the new Association banner that will now be hung at all State tournaments. He stated billboards in Albany have been reserved in February to promote the Wrestling and Basketball tournaments in March 2005. He reported he had received many positive responses from media members across the state that have been mailed letters to participate in a Regional/Sectional Media Committee to establish better communication between the media and Sections and schools. He stated in response to a high volume of inquiries from companies looking to be the official souvenir vendor of our State tournaments a bidding procedure has been implemented to give all interested vendors a fair chance to earn the event as well as maximize the Association’s income.

**Treasurer's Report** was reviewed by Executive Director Nina Van Erk. She reported the Association has improved fiscally and the year end projection will be $104,000 better than budget due to increases in annual membership fees, investment income and sponsorship revenue. She stated the finalized 2003-2004 budget will be presented at the January Executive Committee meeting.

**Counselor Ron Shaw** reported he will be retiring April 1, 2005 and if anyone knew of an attorney interested in becoming the new counsel to the Association, to please notify Executive Director Nina VanErk.

**SPORT COORDINATOR ISSUES & REPORTS**

**Boys Volleyball**
Executive Director Nina Van Erk presented the Boys Volleyball Committee’s request for a waiver of FIVB Rule 4.1.1 which states “A maximum of 15 players and five coach/staff personnel are allowed”. She stated due to the timing of the publication of the FIVB rule book a waiver of this rule was unable to be requested at the Central Committee meeting in August and that State Coordinator, Judy Hartmann would like this regulation to be waived so that high school boys volleyball rosters are NOT limited in size. In a motion by Zumbo/Quimby the waiver was APPROVED retroactive to September 1, 2004.

**Boys/ Girls Skiing**

Boys Skiing State Coordinator Dennis O’Brien requested a one year waiver for Alpine Skiing from the September 20, 2004 USSR ski equipment regulation requiring minimum ski lengths for SL and GS competitive equipment this season. In a motion by Zumbo/Jones the waiver was APPROVED.

**SECTION CONCERNS AND INPUT**

**Section 9** asked other Sections if there was any interest in having the original Championship Philosophy Committee reconvened to evaluate and/ or adjust the philosophy as the moratorium is over. In response to their concern, President Faber directed the Ad hoc Committee on Championship Philosophy be reconvened.

**Section 6** asked what the status was on moving the Spring championship dates. Assistant Director Walter Eaton stated the Championship Advisory Committee report contains a recommendation.

**Section 3** voiced a concern on the increasing cost of insurance. They also inquired about the use of head gear in Modified Soccer. They stated the Chief School Officer of their Section had requested that the Association, possibly through the Association’s attorney, provide a process to Sections on how to deal with the record keeping of officials fingerprinting.

**Section 2** requested information and suggestions from other Sections on their media coverage policies so that they can formulate a new media coverage policy.

**COMBINING OF SCHOOLS**

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

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Oriskany & Westmoreland
LaFayette & Corcoran
Westhill, Corcoran & Fowler
Bishop Ludden, Westhill, Marcellus & Solvay
Jamesville-Dewitt & Christian Brothers Academy

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Auburn, St. Peter & Paul & St. Joseph
Poland & West Canada Valley

Chautauqua Lake & Panama

Brushton-Moira & St. Lawrence
Brushton-Moira & Salmon River
Colton-Pierrepont & Potsdam
Edwards-Knox & Canton
Hammond & Alexandria
Hermon-DeKalb & Edwards-Knox
Hermon-DeKalb & Canton
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Holy Family Malone & Franklin Academy

(except B/G Basketball)

Lisbon & Canton

Madrid-Waddington & Canton

Ice Hockey
Swimming-G
Football
Golf
Swimming-B
Gymnastics-G
Soccer-B
Soccer-B
Swimming-G
Ice Hockey
Swimming-B

Wrestling
Wrestling
Lacrosse-B
Lacrosse-B
Lacrosse-G
Lacrosse-G
Softball
All Modified Sports
Football-Mod.

Swimming-B
Football (all levels)
Ice Hockey-B
Football (all levels)
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Ice Hockey-B (all levels)
Swimming-G (all levels)
Football (all levels)
Wrestling (all levels)
Football (all levels)
All Modified Sports
Cross Country-B/G (all levels)

Indoor Track-B/G (all levels)
Outdoor Track-B/G (all levels)
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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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Madrid-Waddington & Norwood-Norfolk  Ice Hockey-B (all levels)
Norwood-Norfolk & Potsdam  Football (all levels)
Parishville-Hopkinton & St. Lawrence  Ice Hockey-B (all levels)
Parishville-Hopkinton & Canton  Wrestling (all levels)
Salmon River & St. Lawrence  Football (all levels)
Harrisville & Clifton-Fine  Wrestling (Varsity only)
Track & Field-G (Varsity only)

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Golf (Varsity only) 2005
Lacrosse-G (2005)
Wrestling (all levels)
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FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS

A motion by Maryjanowski/DeCillis APPROVED Mount Pleasant Cottage School (1), Siena Catholic Academy (5) and Hillside Children's Center (5) as Friends and Neighbors.

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

Modified Committee. The minutes of the Modified Committee meeting on October 15, 2004 were reviewed by Assistant Director Lloyd Mott. A motion by Staves/Putney for a waiver of the Promotion Rule for Modified Swimming was made. A motion by Staves/Quimby was APPROVED to amend the above motion to read, "Modified General Eligibility Rule #13 'Promotion' shall be waived for boys' and girls' swimming. A game condition will be added to the modified swimming section of the NYSPHSAA handbook that will allow schools with Section approval the option of running combined modified and varsity swimming and diving meets, alternating the events." The combined Modified/Varsity Swimming Meet Order of Events was APPROVED in a motion by Putney/Staves. He stated the position of modified girls soccer sport coordinator was open and asked any interested volunteers should contact the modified athletics sectional representative or the Committee for Modified Athletics co-chairpersons. He noted the Spring 2005 meeting of the Modified Committee is scheduled for Friday, April 1, 2005 at 9:00AM at the Holiday Inn-Turf on Wolf Road in Albany.

Championship Advisory Committee. Assistant Director Walter Eaton reported the minutes of the October 18, 2004 meeting were in the meeting folder. The following recommendations were approved: the latest approved dates for the Spring Championships would be June 9-11, 2006 and June 8-10, 2007 was APPROVED in a motion by Nickerson/Maryjanowski (Section 9-2 NO votes); in a motion by Jones/Witkowski it was APPROVED for the Boys/Girls Indoor Track & Field
Championships to be scheduled for Sunday, March 6, 2005 to begin at 9:15 AM; and a motion by Woods/Greene was APPROVED for the NYSPHSAA to sponsor a Girls Golf State Championship as early as June 4-5, 2006 pending six sections with four or more programs indicate their intent to participate. He stated the next meeting of the CAC is scheduled for January 14, 2005 at 10:00AM at the NYSPHSAA office.

**Officials Coordinating Federation.** Assistant Director Walter Eaton reported the 2004-2006 State Officials Agreement has been signed and returned by each State Officials Organization. He stated the approved addendum permitting a designee to act as the arbitration panel chairman in place of the OCF chairman has been approved by 14 of 16 state officials organizations. He noted a fact finding hearing has been scheduled for October 28, 2004 when the new procedures of the 2004-2006 Agreement will be implemented for the first time. He reported the OCF had met on Sunday, October 24, 2004. On the agenda were territorial rights; recruitment strategies; filing fees for grievances; 5 Point Program and discussion for NYS to raise the level of assault on an official from a misdemeanor to a felony. He stated the next meeting of the OCF is scheduled for May 15, 2005 in Syracuse, NY.

**ACTION on TARGET.** Co-Coordinator Patti Murphy reported members of the Action on Target Committee met with members of the Sportsmanship Committee on October 3rd to review possible cooperative ventures and projects, especially related to character education through athletics. She stated John Underwood gave a power point presentation demonstrating how their two areas overlap stressing the character traits that should be a result of interscholastic athletics. She reported scheduling for training sessions for the Life of an Athlete program will begin soon and hopes to have this presented in every school district by the Spring of 2005. She noted work has begun on the second presentation called “Codes”. She stated the next meeting of the Action on Target committee has been scheduled for Monday, November 8, 2004 at 1:00PM in the NYSPHSAA office.

**Safety Committee.** Assistant Director Lloyd Mott reported the minutes of the October 20, 2004 meeting were included in the meeting folders. He stated all Wrestling Assessors must use the computer program found on the Association’s website due to some problems with the wrestling minimum weight certification calculation by some assessors. He also asked that all schools check the NYSPHSAA website to make sure that they are using certified Wrestling Assessors. He stated many questions have been received relative to thunder and that Section policies are not consistent. In a motion by Zumbo/Murphy it was APPROVED to amend the NYSPHSAA lightning policy to include thunder in the policy for regional and state competition. After much discussion it was felt that there should be a consistent policy to be followed statewide so in a motion by Zumbo/Quimby it was APPROVED to amend the NYSPHSAA lightning policy to include thunder in the policy for all school sponsored contests – local level (league and non-league) through State Championship play with a 30 minute wait to resume the competition.
**Sportsmanship Committee.** Assistant Director Lloyd Mott reported the minutes of the October 3, 2004 meeting were included in the meeting folders. He stated the committee does not see a reason to combine with the Action on Target committee but is interested in working with AOT in relating our messages to schools and helping schools develop programs to meet the common goals. He reported the Sportsmanship Committee is interested in pursuing a combined meeting in each Section in which their goals and programs can be introduced. He stated this meeting in each Section will meet the Association’s mandate for an annual meeting on chemical health at which each school is to have representation. It was suggested that some representatives of each committee, including Walter and Lloyd, meet to make definite plans for implementation. He reported a new record number of schools participated in the 2003/2004 New York Good Sports program. The 2004/2005 program materials will be sent in January to each school’s superintendent and athletic director. He stated he will teach a Citizenship Through Athletics course to a group of schools if 25 to 35 people register. He reported NYSPHSAA Hazing Workshops have been presented in several areas and encouraged all schools to attend a workshop to gain insight into the concerns and to initiate the development of a school policy. He stated the 2004-2005 goals of the NFHS Citizenship Committee are to promote Parents for Good Sports Programs and to make schools aware of the trends in hazing and the need for policies and processes for prevention. He noted the next Sportsmanship Committee meeting will be held at the NYSSAA meeting in Saratoga in March.

**Handbook Committee.** Coordinator Carol Rog reported the minutes of the September 30, 2004 meeting were in the meeting folders. She stated the #30 Transfer Rule approved in August 2004 will be placed on page 73, 30-Transfer b., after sentence 1 and before NOTE. Other items to be brought back to the Sections for discussion are:

1. Page 55, #2 Amateur

   **NOTE:** Only awards or prizes having a monetary value of one hundred dollars or less per competition will be approved by the Association. Move NOTE up to #2.

   Considering language: When honoring student athletes for success in NYSPHSAA sponsored championship events, Boards of Education are encouraged to approve limited awards that are appropriate to high school level competition.

2. Page 68, #22 Practice Sessions (clarify)
   Considering language: Physical and/or instructional activities related to the sport on seven consecutive days is prohibited.

   The Handbook Committee recommends having the Safety Committee, football and other sports give input on proposed language.

3. Request from Mike Andrew (Boys Soccer)
   “State All-Star” teams are not picked by, nor are they the responsibility of the NYSPHSAA.
The Handbook Committee directed Nina to address this issue in Q & A’s in the Scholastic Athletics and Frequently Asked Questions.

She stated the next meeting of the Handbook Committee is scheduled for Thursday, January 13, 2005 at 9:00AM in the NYSPHSAA office.

**Budget & Finance Committee.** Executive Director Nina VanErk reviewed the minutes of the October 7, 2004 meeting. She discussed the increase in the cost of the liability insurance for the Association and its eleven sections. In a motion by Troy/Jones it was APPROVED to increase the ticket prices of the NYSPHSAA championships as recommended by the Budget & Finance Committee. A motion by DiCesare/Wolfe was APPROVED to increase dues $50 per school and .05 cents per student for the 2005-2006 school year. In a motion by Murphy/Staves it was APPROVED for Executive Director Nina VanErk to start a deliberate search for new office space and after finding property to come back to the Executive Committee with details about the financial impact to the Association and ways to finance the new building.

**Student Advisory Council.** Executive Director Nina VanErk reported information on the Student Leadership Conference scheduled for February 24, 2005 at the Holiday Inn-Turf, Albany will be mailed to schools in early December.

**AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Sport Season Committee.** A motion by Greene/Witkowski to accept the Sport Season Committee’s recommendation to balance the sports seasons by changing Boys Tennis to Fall and Girls Tennis to Spring was DEFEATED. (12 NO/10 YES) The votes were cast as follows: Section 1: 2 yes; Section 2: 2 no; Section 3: 2 no; Section 4: 2 no; Section 5: 2 no; Section 6: 2 no; Section 7: 2 yes; Section 8: 2 yes; Section 9: 2 yes; Section 10: 2 yes and Section 11: 2 no.

**Non Public School Classification Committee.** Chairman Jack Jones reported the following recommendation for implementation in the 2005-2006 school year will be an Action Item at the January Executive Committee meeting: As a 2 year experiment Sections would be required to formulate a Classification Committee to review the classification of their non public school members. In the evaluation process the following criteria must be included, but not limited to:

- Periodic review – at least every two years
- Sport specific – season specific
- BEDS Numbers
- Levels of competition – regular season
- Level of success (5 year period)
  - League, Conference, Sectional, Regional, State
- Approval by Athletic Council
- Appeal process

He stated the committee felt it was imperative to convene a meeting of the Classification Committee chairs to review and discuss the process each section utilized in their classification process. The committee also felt strongly about continuing to meet for approximately 6 months to a year to make the necessary adjustments and improvements to the classification process and to evaluate the success of this recommendation.

REPORTS FROM EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS AND CONSULTANTS

State Education Department. Kent Gray reported SED is conducting an internal review on the final draft of the Selection Classification program. He noted he has received many questions this year on lightning safety and gave Assistant Director Lloyd Mott a brochure that he had received on lightning. He stated that he has been asked to attend a meeting at the Office of Counsel on November 2" regarding a Mixed Competition issue which occurred in 2003 and was handled incorrectly. He asked that all schools go through the whole Standards Evaluation procedure correctly. He will report more on this issue at the January Executive Committee meeting. He thanked Assistant Director Lloyd Mott for his participation on the Coaching Certification/Education Committee. He stated he has updated the list of people teaching the courses, the outline of the courses and the resources list and will be mailing them to schools in the future.

New York State Council of Administrators. President Tom Stewart announced the new slate of officers for the next two years. He reported their annual conference was held October 3-5, 2004 in Utica. He stated they are looking into ways to increase attendance at their conference. He noted trainers involved in the State PE Assessment program will be meeting at the NYSAHPERD conference next month. He reported many NYS schools have been successful in receiving the PEP grant. He stated for more information on the grant to go to the NYSAHPERD website for the link.

NYS Athletic Administrators Association. Executive Director Allan Mallanda stated their Fall newsletter would be mailed shortly. He reported he has been attending different Chapter meetings in the state. He noted the NYSAAA is working together with the NYSPHSAA on an Athletic Directors workshop to be held November 29-30, 2004 at the Holiday Inn-Turf, Albany. He stated a Leadership 502 training course and a CAA exam are being offered at the workshop. He noted the CAA exam will be the last one given in the state this year before the new requirements take effect. He reported the NIAAA Conference will be held December 11-15, 2004 in New Orleans. He announced Dennis Fries will become the new President of the NIAAA; Frank Kovaleski, National Director, will retire in January and Bruce Whitehead will become the new Executive Director beginning in January. He stated their state conference will
be held March 16-19, 2005 at the Prime Hotel & Conference Center in Saratoga. Six leadership courses are being offered on Wednesday (March 16). A Leadership 590 training for instructors course is being offered on the Tuesday evening before the conference. He asked anyone who wishes to take the instructors course to please contact him in advance. He stated the NYSSAAA values their partnership with the Association in promoting all the things we do for students in New York State and also values the cooperation with the staff in the Association office.

President Faber announced the members of the Strategic Planning Committee as follows: Pat Pizzarelli, Chairman; Karen Peterson (1); Bob Stulmaker (2); Art Wilson (3); Charles Stratton (4); Scott Bahantka (5); Jim Dunnigan (6); Ken Cringle (7); Dr. Mira Martincich (8); Dennis Burkett (9); Eileen Kilcullen (10) and Jeremy Thode (11).

A motion by Troy/DiCesare to adjourn at 12:32PM was APPROVED.

Respectfully submitted,

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Executive Director

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