SYNOPSIS OF ACTIONS
October 23-24, 2011 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Holiday Inn, Wolf Road, Albany

ACTION ITEMS

1. P3 Approved August 2011 Central Committee minutes.
2. P4 Approved the reduction of required number of contests in Girls Gymnastics from 6 contests to 4 contests in Section VII.
3. P4 Approved the following NYSPHSAA championship sites: Rifle at West Point (9) in 2012, Girls Golf at SUNY Delhi (4) in 2012, Outdoor Track and Field at Middletown High School (9) in 2013 and Wrestling at the Times Union Center (2) for 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016.
4. P9 Approved the use of the NFHS Metric Conversion Chart when applicable in Swimming and Diving.
5. P9 Approved a waiver of the NCAA Rule 1-7 to maintain the 3 point line at a distance of 19'9½" in Girls Basketball.
6. P9 Approved a waiver of the NCAA Rule 1 requiring the use of the restricted area arc in Girls Basketball.
7. P12 Approved as Friend and Neighbors: Saint Gregory’s School for Boys (2), North Spencer Christian Academy (4), Christian Central Academy (6), St. Gregory the Great (6), Northern Chautauqua Catholic School (6).
8. P13 Approved the revised Boys Swimming and Diving Qualifying Times for the 2011-2012 State Championship.
9. P14 Tabled a motion to reconsider a 4th official (table official) be used at the Girls Lacrosse State Semi-Finals and Finals until Monday, October 24 so that Liz Parry, Girls Lacrosse Assistant State Coordinator could explain the duties of the 4th official.
10. P14 Approved to enter into Executive Session on Sunday, October 23, 2011 at 4:35PM.
11. P14 Approved to end the Executive Session at 5:00PM.
12. P14 Approved a 4th official (table official) be used at the Girls Lacrosse State Semi-Finals and Finals.
13. P15 Approved the Handbook Committee to revise the Modified General Eligibility Rule #1 to include the word ‘geography’ among the criteria for organization of competition.
14. P15 Approved in Modified Softball with section/league approval, innings 1-6 may be completed at five (5) runs or three (3) outs. The seventh inning shall be played as a normal inning, with three outs and no run restrictions for that inning.
15. P15 Approved in Modified Track and Field with section/league approval, the height of the hurdle in the 55m modified boys’ hurdles may be increased from 30 inches to 33 inches.
16. P15 Approved in Modified Girls Track and Field with section/league approval, a six (6) pound shot put may be used rather than a 4K shot put.
17. P15 Defeated in Modified Boys and Girls Basketball with section/league approval, a two year pilot program will be used allowing the use of the 3-point shot, and waiving Modified Boys’ Basketball Game Rule #4 and Modified Girls’ Basketball Game Rule #5.
18. P16 Approved the distribution of the Sportsmanship Brochure to our member schools.
NEW YORK STATE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES
Holiday Inn, Wolf Road, Albany
October 23-24, 2011.

The Executive Committee meeting was called to order by President Mark Ward at 2:35PM on October 23, 2011. Executive Director Nina Van Erk introduced and welcomed the following new people to the Executive Committee: Bob McGuire (2), Chris Ceruti (8) and Lisa Lally (11). Executive Director Nina Van Erk gave an update on the condition of Past President Pat Pizzarelli who had been hospitalized. A moment of silence was held in honor of Ridge Barden, a member of Phoenix High School’s football team who passed away from injuries sustained in a football game last weekend. Executive Director Nina VanErk introduced members of the Executive Committee and took attendance as follows:

**Officers & Staff**
- President Mark Ward
- First Vice President Eileen Troy
- Second Vice President Stephen Broadwell
- Executive Director Nina Van Erk
- Assistant Director Robert Stulmaker
- Assistant Director Todd Nelson
- Assistant Director Joe Altieri
- Treasurer Kathleen Higle
- Counsel Renee James
- Dir. Government Affairs – Kevin Banes
- Secretary Sandra Schanck

**Past Presidents**
- Patrick Calnon
- Kathryn Faber
- Karen Lopez
- Richard McGuire
- Robert Munn
- James Tolle
- Dean Veenhof

**Section Representatives**
- Section 1: Karen Peterson, Jennifer Simmons (proxy for Scott Mosenthal)
- Section 2: Elizabeth Hemstead, Robert McGuire
- Section 3: Barbara Felice, Michael Carboine
- Section 4: Julie Maney, Ed Redmond
- Section 5: Kimberly Henshaw, Dennis O’Brien
- Section 6: Cindy Bullis, Don Scholla
- Section 7: Patricia Ryan-Curry, Joseph Staves
- Section 8: Chris Ceruti, Dominick Vulpis
- Section 9: Roberta Greene, James Wolfe
- Section 10: Lori Brewer, Paul Harrica
- Section 11: Lisa Lally, Nick DeCillis

**Ex-Officio & Consultants**
- Jim Rose, Modified State Co-Coordinator
- Roberta Greene, Handbook Coordinator
- Alan Mallanda, Ex. Director-NYSAAA
- Darryl Daily - SED
Section Ex. Directors
Jennifer Simmons (1) Karen Lopez (7)
John Rathbun (3) Todd Heimer (8)
Ben Nelson (4) Robert Thabet (9)
Ed Stores (5) Carl Normandin (10)
Timm Slade (6) Ed Cinelli (11)

Section Treasurers
James Osborne (9)

Sport Coordinators
Liz Parry, Girls Lacrosse Asst. State Coordinator
Peter Bly, Boys Basketball State Coordinator

Guests
Christy Olsen, NYSPHSAA Intern
Greg Ransom

A motion to approve the August 2011 Central Committee Meeting minutes as written carried.  

Hemstead/Felice

ORAL AND PRINTED REPORTS WERE PRESENTED BY ASSOCIATION OFFICERS AND STAFF

President Mark Ward
- Welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- Reported he had attended the NFHS Section I meeting in Mystic, CT at the beginning of October. He stated the NFHS understands and is sympathetic to the financial issues all the states are dealing with.
- He is looking forward to attending as many fall championships as he can.

Constitution Committee
- Announced the members of the committee are: Julie Maney (4), Dennis O’Brien (5), Jim Wolfe (9), Nick DeCillis (11), Carl Normandin (Ex. Director-10), Mark Ward (President), Eileen Troy (1st VP), Nina Van Erk (Ex. Director), Renee James (Counselor).
- The charge of the committee is to review the NYSPHSAA Constitution and to also develop policies to meet our future obligations as a 503C non-profit status.
- The first meeting of the committee was held on Monday, October 24th.
- If anyone has suggestions or areas they feel should be addressed, please contact Mark or Nina.

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

- **Insurance Meetings** — She met with John Snow of Cool Insuring Agency and Greg Joly by telephone conference regarding our Directors & Officers policy. She announced our liability insurance was reduced thus saving money for the Association and our eleven Sections but the Directors & Officers insurance premium has increased due to the number of lawsuits we are involved in.

- **NYSCOSS Athletic Advisory Committee** — She spoke to the group about the possibility of title and presenting sponsorships for our championships and about merged sport programs between schools.

- **Mandatory Eligibility Workshops** - Twelve workshops were conducted throughout the state with the assistance of Bob, Todd and Joe. Attendees enjoyed working on the 30 scenarios created by the staff. The evaluations were very positive again this year, an average rating of 4.52 out of a five point scale. The workshops were very well received as they were informative for both the veteran and new athletic
administrator.

- **NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame** - She reminded nominations for the 2012 NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame are due to the Association office by December 15th. All nominations must be endorsed by a Section.

- **Retroactive Action**

  A motion to approve a reduction in the required number of contests in Girls Gymnastics from 6 contests to 4 contests in Section 7 carried. Harrica/Staves

- **Future Uniform Rule Changes** – To assist our sport committees and member schools, a list has been compiled outlining the future uniform rule changes that are pending. She reported the NFHS will not be making any changes to uniforms in the next couple of years citing the fiscal concerns facing schools nationwide. She noted the NFHS Soccer uniform change requiring all white uniforms for the home team does not go into effect until 2013. She stated she was confident that the Soccer Committee will ask for a statewide waiver if it is felt that school districts cannot be compliant by 2013. At the Athletic Directors Workshops, she advised athletic directors if their soccer uniforms were in the rotation to buy new, to buy white uniforms to be compliant.

- **Participation Survey** – The Participation Survey data for 2010-2011 is 100% complete. She thanked all the school districts for their cooperation in this very important effort. A state wide summary of the Participation Survey was included in the meeting packets. Overall participation decreased from 622,774 to 605,957, a 2.7% decline in participants from the 2009-2010 survey. The total number of teams fell by 2.7% from 34,409 to 33,474. The most significant changes occurred at the Modified level. Participants decreased by 4.1% and the number of teams decreased by 4.4%. The modified sports showing the greatest decline were football, baseball, softball, boys and girls basketball, girls volleyball and boys and girls soccer. It can be assumed that school districts have eliminated the support of two modified teams in these sports.

- **Lifetime Passes** – Lifetime passes will be distributed to the current and former representatives that fit the criteria approved by the Central Committee in August. She thanked the Section Executive Directors that will be assisting us by providing current addresses when needed.

- **Transfer Committee Coordinators Meeting** – The next meeting of the Transfer Coordinators will be Tuesday, December 6, 2011.

- **NYSPHSAA Directory.** She thanked everyone for updating their personal information for the 2011-2012 NYSPHSAA Directory which will be emailed to all this year. If any additional changes are necessary, please submit them to Sandy Schanck at sschanck@nyphsaa.org.

- **Future Meeting Dates** –
  - January 24, 2012 – via Telephone Conference Call – 10:00AM
  - May 4-5, 2012 – Holiday Inn-Lake George (2)
  - July 31-Aug. 2, 2012 – Fort William Henry-Lake George (2)

**Assistant Director Robert Stulmaker**

**State Championships/Regionals**

- An updated schedule of championship sites for 2011-2012 was included in the meeting packet.

A motion to approve the following NYSPHSAA championship sites carried. Redmond/Carboine

Rifle at West Point (9) in 2012; Girls Golf at SUNY Delhi (4) in 2012; Outdoor Track and Field at Middletown High School (9) in 2013 and Wrestling at the Times Union Center (2) for 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016.

- AED’s/Emergency Preparedness Plans are in place for the Fall State Championships.

- Football at the Carrier Dome
  - State Courtesy cards with photo ID will be honored at the Box Office at the Gate B entrance for both Finals (November 25 & 27). NOTE: State Courtesy cards are accepted at all Regionals, Semi-finals/Finals of NYSPHSAA State Championships.
  - Contact Bob in advance via email/fax for a parking pass for either or both days at the Carrier Dome
Dome.

- The anticipated championship dates/sites for 2012-2013 and beyond are included in the meeting packet.
- Approval for the 2012-2013 championship schedule will be an action item in January 2012.

**State Sports Coordinators**

- Don Sauer has resigned as the Boys Outdoor Track/Field State Coordinator. President Ward has appointed Dan Doherty to complete Don's unexpired term until August 2012.
- Sports whose State Coordinators are up for (re)appointments scheduled during 2011-2012 are: Boys Golf, Boys Outdoor Track/Field, Boys Tennis and Girls Tennis.

**Scholar/Athlete Team Award Program**

- This is year 21 of the Scholar/Athlete Team Award Program.
- The Fall 2011 deadline to apply for awards is Friday, December 2, 2011.
- Thank you to Pupil Benefits Plan, Inc. for their renewed sponsorship for the 17th year in a row.

**NYS Federation of Secondary Schools Athletic Association**

- Their Fall meeting was held on September 15, 2011.
- The 2011-2012 slate of officers are: President: Donal Buckley, CHSAA; Vice President: Bob Stulmaker, PHSAA; Secretary: MJ Quigley, AISAA; Treasurer: Nina Van Erk, PHSAA and Executive Secretary: Walter Eaton.
- The next meeting of the Federation Council is scheduled for January 17, 2012.

**Community Service Challenge**

- May 1, 2012 is the deadline for schools to submit projects to the Section.
- June 1, 2012 is the deadline for Sections to submit their winner to the NYSPHSAA.
- School/Team winner will again be recognized at the Central Committee meeting in August.

**Officials Coordinating Federation**

- Met at the NYSPHSAA office on Sunday, October 23, 2011.
- The updated OCF Directory was distributed. Copies are available upon request.
- The revised procedure for the arbitration process that was approved by the Executive Committee at their December 2010 meeting was approved at the OCF meeting on October 23rd. The current officials' agreement expires on June 30, 2012. The new guidelines will go into effect on July 1, 2012.
- The spring meeting is scheduled for May 23, 2012 at 8PM via conference call.

**Assistant Director Todd Nelson**

**Classification of Schools**

- SED is now gathering the High School Building grade level information, for BEDS day, from the Student Information Reporting System (SIRS) for all public and charter schools. Athletic Administrators will no longer be able to report page 3 of the BEDS day report to the Section offices. We have spoken with the office of the Student Information Reporting System and they have assured us that they will be able to send the NYSPHSAA office a report that will contain the necessary information to classify our member schools. We will receive a copy of the report in mid January. In November, schools will then have an opportunity to verify the numbers reported. Non public schools will still report their numbers by using the High School Building reporting form. All member schools will be included in the report that is sent to the NYSPHSAA in January. We will send a copy of the report to each Section Executive Director for a final verification. A recommendation will be presented to the Executive Committee in January. The variation cut-off numbers will also be reviewed in January.

**Championship School Gate List**

- Schools participating in our championship events will be asked to complete the School Championship Gate List form for all semifinal and final games. They will be allowed to select up to 8 individuals to gain free admission to the championship event. The form needs to be completed and sent to the NYSPHSAA
office two days prior to the event. If the school fails to complete the form and send it to the NYSPHSAA office, no individuals will be allowed free admission to the event.

Coaching Clinics

- The following coaching clinics are scheduled for 2011-2012:
  
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<td>Sports Plex – Clifton Park</td>
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- Further information on the clinics can be found on the Association website. The Wrestling and Volleyball Clinics have no registration fees. Coaches can also register on-line for the clinics. A minimum of 50 coaches registered one week before the clinic is required in order to hold the clinic.

Assistant Director Joe Alieiri reported on his attendance at various meetings, championships and conferences.

Fall 2011 Championship Report

- **Souvenir Vendors** – All vendors have been determined for the Fall Championships. Based on the bid guarantees, a minimum of $51,000 will represent souvenir revenues for Fall sports.
- **Time Warner Cable** will broadcast Football East, West and Finals.
- **Online Ticketing** (TicketLeap) – Girls Swimming will be the first event to use scanners.

Corporate Sponsorships

- At the August Central Committee meeting, there was discussion on title and presenting sponsorship. A document outlining what a presenting sponsorship might look like was shared with the Section Executive Directors at their September conference call meeting and school superintendents at their September conference. The document was also included in the meeting packets. Since no additional concerns or questions were raised, the Association will proceed with selling presenting level sponsorships. Details on title sponsorship will be shared in the near future.
- Categories for sponsorship have also been adjusted.
- **Sports Authority** – A new contract has been signed for Platinum Level sponsorship for three years. The contract can potentially grow to Presenting Level sponsorship in year #3. Sports Authority will replace Eastbay whose contract expires November 30th and will almost double the money annually.
- **Price Chopper** – A contract has been signed for a Gold Level in-kind sponsorship for one year. They will provide cases of water and paper products for tournaments as well as sell championship tickets in their stores and provide print advertising in their publications.
- **MaxPreps** – A contract is being reviewed for a Bronze Level sponsorship for a new three-year term. This is the second term of that length.
- **Nike** – A contract has been signed for a Bronze Level sponsorship for a new five-year agreement for Football and B/G Golf. The previous contract was for three years.
- **Nike Running** has agreed to fully sponsor singlets for each runner participating in the 2011 Cross Country Championships. All the singlets will be white with a color logo corresponding to the Section’s designated color. They will conform to NFHS rules and there will be no cost to the Section, school, athlete or NYSPHSAA.
- **CSEA** – A contract was signed for a Bronze Level sponsorship for one year. This will be the 9th consecutive year of the partnership which has totaled more than $200,000.
• **CSEA/NYSPHSAA Excelsior Award** – The winner of the second Excelsior Award sponsored by both groups is Lisa Vanderburg, athletic director secretary at Levittown Schools in Section VIII. She was honored at the CSEA Delegates meeting in New York City on October 6th and will again be recognized with the glass trophy award at halftime of the Class AA football championship game at the Carrier Dome on November 27th.

• **Hood** – A contract has been signed for a Contributing Level sponsorship for one year for Cross Country.

**Public Relations/Marketing**

• **Press releases** have been distributed statewide for all fall championship schedules and the wrestling clinic.

• **Marketing** – Television campaigns were executed for the sports of football and soccer. With the assistance of the intern, several radio campaigns were implemented for fall sports including football and girls volleyball. Our intern is also in the midst of conducting a poster campaign in the communities where the Fall Championships are being held; Syracuse (football), Cicero (boys volleyball, field hockey), Cortland (girls soccer), Middletown (boys soccer) and Glens Falls (girls volleyball).

**Fall Interns**

• **Christy Olsen**, a senior communications major at UAlbany and a cross country athlete and graduate of Patchogue-Medford High School in Section XI, is currently working a full-time internship in the Association Office. She has been working hard on records research, sports schedules, sponsor fulfillment and an array of marketing duties including a poster and radio campaign for several championships.

**Treasurer Kathy Higle** reviewed the budget and highlighted the following:

• We will finish the year with negative net assets. The information needed to calculate additional deferred compensation is not yet available and since we use accrual based accounting, audit and other adjustments may be made that will decrease or increase our net assets. She stated we have no reserves. For the very short term we are in good shape because we have sufficient liquid assets (cash & investments) to pay our current obligations. However, we need to address paying for our future cash outlays now, particularly deferred compensation and post retirement health benefits.

• Revenues were better than budgeted due to Spring Championships finishing stronger than originally predicted, revenue provided by the On-line Coaching Certification Courses remained strong and increased sponsorship revenue due to additional sponsorships being obtained.

• Expenses were worse than budgeted due to additional computer/server expenses, higher audit and legal expenses, the Post Retirement Health Benefits was calculated to put us in full compliance with current IRS mortality tables and increased Ad Hoc Committees. Also the anticipated cost reductions in Scholar Athlete, Scholastic Athletics, and National Federation meetings did not occur.

• The 2009-10 audit has not been completed. It will be emailed when completed.

**Counselor Renee James**

• Reported we are seeing a number of appeals due to financial problems school districts are now going through. One such appeal involves a Section where two larger schools were placed in a league with smaller schools because of the geographical distances they had to travel. One of the smaller schools in the league appealed to the Section, received a negative decision and then withdrew from the league after the season had started. This led to the school being sanctioned by the Section. Another appeal involves a school district who is challenging the merger of two other schools in Cross Country.

• Recommended Sections to look at their policies and procedures and if there is a policy or procedure that is not followed, it should be changed to one that everyone can work with because many of the appeals are trying to find a policy and/or procedure that was not followed.

• Reported a number of appeals of the Transfer Rule that are focusing on academic issues. Stated this is an area that the Association will continue to look at.
• Reported on an appeal of a soccer player who started playing in 7th grade. She was classified up and in 9th grade played in the fall. Her father was transferred to Texas where they play soccer from December to April. She played in Texas for another two years, moved back to New York and wanted an additional year of eligibility. We denied the appeal. She appealed to the Commissioner of Education at the start of the season. The Commissioner denied the stay.
• Reported we are involved in a Federal lawsuit with Immaculate Heart Central (3) who is challenging the placement of a catholic school up a division. We are in the process of dismissing. She will keep us updated.
• Another lawsuit involves a soccer official in Section 7 who was granted a motion to amend his complaint because he is “pro se”. His charge against the Association is that we didn’t hear his appeal. She feels we will be successful with this lawsuit because we do not hear appeals for sports officials.
• Another lawsuit is a negligence case based on the modified football rules. A student was injured, claiming there was contact in a non-contact drill. Nina completed an affidavit to support the school district. She will keep us updated.

**Director of Government Relations Kevin Banes**
• Thanked Nina and Todd for their leadership on the Concussion Management legislation we were successful in getting passed by both houses. The governor has signed the bill which will go into effect on July 1, 2012. Kevin, Nina and Todd will be working with the Departments of Health and Education on developing rules and regulations that conform to the legislation that was passed.
• Reported the Governor is crafting budgets for executive agencies and is working with the Department of Education on their budget. Based on last year’s budget and projections the Comptroller’s office has eluded to, we will be looking at deficits that will result in budget cuts.
• Reported there has been a renewed push by the major statewide unions and education associations for an extension of the millionaire’s tax. He will be paying close attention to this critical issue and will keep us informed.
• Reported he will be working closely this year with the sponsors of the infectious skin disease legislation to make sure that student athletes can minimize risk and legislation does not impede or be burdensome on the wrestling programs.
• Reported he will also be working to introduce legislation to impose stricter penalties for assaults on coaches and sporting officials. As more incidents are arising, we need to be proactive in ensuring coaches and officials are protected from incidents on the field.
• Reported home school legislation has been introduced. He will meet with the sponsors of the bill to discuss the eligibility of home school students. He will continue to monitor and keep us informed.
• Reported he is watching legislation introduced by a Bronx assembly member which will require Boards of Education to eliminate funding for interscholastic sports if general education funding is decreased in a school district. There has been no movement on this but he will continue to monitor.

**CLASSIFICATION OF NON PUBLIC AND CHARTER SCHOOLS COMMITTEE.** Jennifer Simmons
• The committee met on September 19, 2011 and extensively debated the value of establishing a statewide form and process to determine the placement of non public and charter schools.
• Consensus was reached on criteria review, the timeline and process and the appeal process.
• The committee recommended that information regarding transfers be shared by the Section Transfer Committee with the Section Classification Committee.
• The committee discussed how school districts will be trying to save their interscholastic athletic programs by merging programs with neighboring schools. They were asked to think of alternative ways to classify merged programs. Some of the ideas shared included: adding BEDS numbers together (current policy), gender only, percentage of BEDS number based on sport, moving up one class and
review by Classification Committee.

SPORT COORDINATOR REQUESTS

- **Swimming and Diving** – Executive Director Nina Van Erk presented the Swimming and Diving Committees request to approve the NFHS Metric Conversion Chart where applicable because times that are recorded in a metric pool need to be converted to times equivalent in yards.

A motion to approve the use of the NFHS Metric Conversion Chart when applicable carried. Maney/Lally

- **Girls Basketball** – Peter Bly, Girls Basketball State Coordinator presented the Girls Basketball Committee’s request for two waivers.

A motion to approve a waiver of the NCAA Rule 1-7 to maintain the 3 point line at a distance of 19’9” carried. Carboine/Harrica

A motion to approve a waiver of the NCAA Rule 1 requiring the use of the restricted area arc carried. Henshaw/Ryan-Curry

SECTION EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S CONCERNS AND INPUT

- Reported they had received a letter from SED regarding fingerprinting compliance. Some Sections are concerned because they don’t have a reporting agency such as BOCES or a section office and are having difficulty ensuring verification that officials have been fingerprinted. These Sections will touch base with Darryl Daily regarding this situation.

- Thanked Todd and Nina for explaining this year’s process of submitting BED’s numbers.

- Voiced a concern with NCAA rule change regarding the 3 point line in Girls Basketball and the issues it may bring with college facilities our schools use that may remove the 19’9” line.

- Voiced a concern regarding certifying a Selectively Classified wrestler who is assessed at less than 91 lbs. for the 99 lb. weight class.

COMBINING OF SCHOOLS

The following combining school teams have been approved by their respective leagues and sections for the 2011-2012 school year, and are presented for your information. (Eligibility Standard #6)

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Sandy Creek, Altmar-Parish-Williamstown & Pulaski Corcoran, Fowler, Henninger, ITC, Nottingham, Chittenango, Fabius-Pompey, LaFayette, Onondaga, Tully Norwich, Utica, Hamilton, Waterville, VVS, Sherburne-Earlville & Otselic Valley

Central Square, Phoenix, East Syracuse-Minoa, Bishop Grimes,
Hannibal & Cato-Meridian
Homer & Cortland
Jamesville-Dewitt, CBA

Bishop Ludden & Westhill

Solvay, Westhill, CBA, Jamesville-Dewitt
Hamilton & Morrisville-Eaton
Pulaski & Altmar-Parish-Williamstown
Tyburn Academy, St. Joseph's & Auburn
Remsen & Holland Patent
Hamilton & Sherburne-Earlville
LaFayette & Fabius-Pompey

Beekmantown & Saranac
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Keene & Elizabethtown-Lewis
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Lake Placid & Saranac Lake

Lynbrook North MS & Lynbrook South MS
Elmont Memorial, Floral Park & Sewanhaka
Carey, & New Hyde Park Memorial
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Valley Stream Central, Valley Stream North, Valley Stream South & Valley Stream Memorial

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Calhoun, Mepham & John F. Kennedy

Southwood MS & HB Thompson MS

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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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11-05-11 Cattaraugus County Sr. All-Star Contest – G. Soccer
11-06-11 Exceptional Seniors Soccer Match – B/G Soccer
11-10-11 Section 6 Sr. All-Star Contest – Field Hockey
11-13-11 Chautauqua County Sr. All-Star Games – B/G Soccer
03-22-12 Cattaraugus County & IAAHO Board #121 Senior Contest – B/G Basketball

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11-14-11 or 11-15-11 CVAC Sr. All-Star Game – G. Volleyball

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11-14-11 Section 10 Sr. All-Star Match – G. Volleyball

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

Section 2
Saint Gregory’s School for Boys
121 Old Niskayuna Road
Loudonville, NY 12211
Grades 7-8

Section 4
North Spencer Christian Academy
721 Ithaca Road
Spencer, NY 14883
Grades 7-12

Section 6
Christian Central Academy
39 Academy Street
Williamsville, NY 14221
Grades 9-12
Retroactive to August 2011

Section 6
St. Gregory the Great
200 St. Gregory Court
Williamsville, NY 14221
Grades 7-8
Retroactive to August 2011

Section 6
Northern Chautauqua Catholic School
336 Washington Avenue
Dunkirk, NY 14048
Grades 7-8

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

Budget Committee. Eileen Troy, 1st VP
• Reported the 2011-2012 budget had been presented and approved at the May 2011 Executive Committee meeting.

Life of An Athlete. Bob Stulmaker, Assistant Director, presented the report.
• The Life of an Athlete Committee meeting was held by conference call on October 17, 2011.
• Thad Lawrence and Patti Murphy presented at the Central Zone Conference at SUNY Cortland on Friday, October 7th.
• The committee would like to put together webinars to update Sections on the latest research on alcohol and other drugs as well as the effect of sleep and nutrition on athletic performance and recovery. They have asked the Sections to give them feedback as to any topics they would like to see covered.
• Their new program, Honor the Code, has been getting positive recognition since it began in the fall in Section 3. They are hoping to start similar programs in other Sections. The following are links to follow this program’s progress:
• The link to Friday’s YNN’s report:
  http://centralny.ynn.com/content/558202/students-take-action-against-underage-drinking/

• The link to the POST STANDARD’s head-line article in Saturday’s paper:
  http://topics.syracuse.com/tag/Honor%20the%20Code/index.html

• Here is the link to Niko’s report:

• The next meeting of the Life of an Athlete Committee is scheduled for Thursday, March 15, 2011 at 3:00PM at the NYSAAA Conference in Saratoga.

**Handbook Committee.** Chairperson Robbie Greene presented the report.
- The committee met on October 11, 2011 by telephone conference.

**Transfer**
- **Forms** - The committee discussed additions to the Transfer Forms which were requested by the Transfer Committee and the Section Executive Directors. Darryl Daily asked that the forms be sent to him so he may have them to reference if needed. The new forms will be shared with the Transfer Coordinators and Section Executive Directors.
- **Transfer Rule** — Even though the changes in the Transfer Rule were not approved at the August Central Committee meeting, the committee felt there was a possibility that this issue would be raised again during the school year. There will also be changes in the Selection Classification Process made by NYSED. The program will be re-named to Advanced Athletic Placement. Under the new guidelines, it will be much more difficult for a student to be approved to move to the high school athletic program.

**Constitution Committee**
- President Mark Wark will be convening a Constitution Committee to review and possibly make recommendations to revise the Association’s constitution. The members of the Handbook Committee were asked to provide any recommendations or areas of concern to Nina so they can be shared with the Constitution Committee at their first meeting scheduled for October 24th. Ideas and/or areas to be addressed may still be submitted to Nina after that date.

**Jewelry Rule**
- The committee discussed all the “pink” initiatives that are taking place during high school athletic events. Nina reviewed the recent interpretations that were made for the sports of soccer and volleyball. The committee recommends following the sport specific rule book to be consistent. In absence of a jewelry rule, the NYSPHSAA Jewelry Rule would be in effect.

**Future Meeting**
- The next meeting of the Handbook Committee is scheduled for Thursday, January 12, 2012 at 10:00AM via telephone conference.

**Championship Advisory Committee.** Past President Dr. James Tolle presented the report and recommendations of the committee.
A motion to approve the revised Boys Swimming and Diving Qualifying Times for the 2011-2012 State Championship carried. Harrica/Bullis
A motion to reconsider a 4th official (table official) be used at the Girls Lacrosse State Semi-Finals and Finals was tabled until Monday, October 24 so that Liz Parry, Girls Lacrosse Assistant State Coordinator could explain the duties of the 4th official. Harrica/McGuire

A motion to enter into Executive Session on Sunday, October 23 at 4:35PM carried. Harrica/Redmond

A motion to end the Executive Session at 5:00PM carried. Harrica/O'Brien

President Mark Ward resumed the Executive Committee meeting at 9:05AM on Monday, October 24, 2011.

A motion to approve a 4th official (table official) be used at the Girls Lacrosse State Semi-Finals and Finals carried. Harrica/DeCillis

(The votes by Section were: Section 1: 2 yes; Section 2: 2 yes; Section 3: 2 no; Section 4: 2 no; 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. 16 Yes/6 No)

- The next meeting of the CAC is scheduled for Thursday, January 12, 2012 at 9:30AM by telephone conference.

Safety Committee. Assistant Director Todd Nelson presented the report.

Concussion Management

- The Concussion Management Act has been signed by the governor and will go into effect on July 1, 2012. The NYSPHSA has been named as a stakeholder and will be meeting with SED and Department of Health to discuss rules and regulations for concussion management. The NYSPHSA has made numerous recommendations over the past 6 years and our hope is that many, if not all, of those recommendations will be considered when making the new rules and regulations.
- The NYSPHSA was also involved in a roundtable discussion sponsored by the Brain Injury Association on October 25, 2011 in Rensselaer.

Girls Lacrosse Survey

- The Safety Committee was informed that US Lacrosse has made a request to NOCSAE to develop a standard for a hard shell helmet for the sport of female lacrosse.
- US Lacrosse has also passed a new rule effective with the 2012 season, which prohibits any type of checking in the sphere around the head. The new rule also prohibits offensive players from cradling the ball in the sphere.
- The NFHS Injury Surveillance survey showed a decrease in the amount of head/face injuries in the sport of girls’ lacrosse from the 2009-2010 season to the 2010-2011 season.

Minimum Practices for Baseball

- The Safety Committee discussed a concern raised by one of our Sections on the inconsistency of the required number of practices for baseball and the battery. The current rules allow for a scrimmage and contest to be held after a minimum number of practices for field players and the team but a different number for the battery. The Safety Committee is recommending that the minimum number of practices required by the team be 10 for a scrimmage and 15 for a contest. The individual number of practices would remain the same as currently written in the Handbook. This falls in line with the number of team practices required under the battery in the current Handbook. The Safety Committee would like input from the Baseball Committee. The Baseball Committee will discuss the issue at their January meeting.

Nights Rest for Football

- The Safety Committee discussed the current rules that require four (4) nights rest for football contests and two (2) nights rest for football scrimmages. The committee felt that there should be consistency between contests and scrimmages and made the following recommendation to the Football Committee.
to be discussed at their next meeting in the Spring. “Starting with the 2012 football season, the minimum nights rest rule for a scrimmage and/or a contest will be four (4) nights”. The Safety Committee felt that a scrimmage still allowed for a significant number of live contact plays as opposed to a practice session.

**Modified Recommendations**

- The Modified Committee asked the Safety Committee to discuss a two year pilot to allow kick-offs in modified football. The reason for the request is to teach student athletes the techniques involved in a kick-off and give them some experience handling kick-offs before they go to the high school level. The Safety Committee also agrees that a safety concern is evident in this request. They suggested that the Modified Committee consider allowing the request but to not allow any kick-off returns. The players could be instructed to fill the lanes of the kick-off and the receiving team could be taught how to block the return through a simulation of a kick-off. The ball would be blown dead at the spot of the recovery and played from that spot or moved to the 35 yard line to begin live play. The Safety Committee feels that this could be a teachable moment for the players and minimize the risk of injury during a live kick-off.

- The Modified Committee also asked that the Safety Committee discuss the rule that sets the limits on the number of innings a student athlete can pitch in a game and week in Baseball. A request was made by a Section to consider counting the number of pitches that are made instead of the number of innings that are pitched. The Safety Committee agrees that this should be explored further by the Baseball Committee and the Modified Committee. They suggested some type of possible range for the amount of pitches and parameters to handle innings when the pitcher has reached that range. The Baseball Committee will discuss this issue at the January meeting.

**Modified Committee.** James Rose, Co-Coordinator.

- A synopsis of the committee’s October 14, 2011 meeting was included in the meeting packets. A **motion to approve** the Handbook Committee to revise the Modified General Eligibility Rule #1 to include the word ‘geography’ among the criteria for organization of competition carried. Hemstead/Scholla

> “Schools, leagues and sections may organize Modified Program competition by age, grade, geography and/or ability levels within the limitations of the NYSPHSAA Eligibility Rules to ensure safe and equitable competition.”

A **motion to approve** in Modified Softball, with section/league approval, innings 1-6 may be completed at five (5) runs or three (3) outs and the seventh inning shall be played as a normal inning, with three outs and no run restrictions for that inning carried. Hemstead/McGuire

A **motion to approve** in Modified Track and Field, with section/league approval, the height of the hurdle in the 55m modified boys’ hurdles may be increased from 30 inches to 33 inches carried. Bullis/Staves

A **motion to approve** in Modified Track and Field, with section/league approval, a six (6) pound shot put may be used for modified girls’ track and field, rather than a 4K shot put carried. Maney/Lally

A **motion** with section/league approval, a two-year pilot program in Modified Boys’ and Girls’ Basketball will be used, allowing the use of the 3-point shot, and waiving Modified Boys’ Basketball Game Rule #4 and Modified Girls’ Basketball Game Rule #5 was defeated. Hemstead/Simmons

(The votes by Section were: Section 1: 2 yes; Section 2: 2 yes; Section 3: 2 no; Section 4: 2 no; Section 5: 2 no; Section 6: 2 no; Section 7: 2 no; Section 8: 2 no; Section 9: 2 yes; Section 10: 2 no; Section 11: 2 no. 16 No/6 Yes)

- Many Sections across the state are experiencing severe reductions in their modified program; some schools have eliminated modified athletic programs. We must continue to advocate and educate to maintain modified athletics. There is fear that the 2012-2013 budgets will result in further cuts in modified athletics.

- A Modified/JV program pilot proposal was presented to the Modified Committee for consideration. The objective of the proposal is to limit the number of students who, due to the fiscal crisis and elimination of programs, will not have the opportunity to participate in interscholastic athletics. This proposal
seeks to make the transition easier from the modified to the varsity level and will only be used when a JV program does not exist in a school district. A subcommittee was established for further discussion on this proposal. They requested it be brought to the Safety Committee for their input. At their October 17, 2011 meeting, the Safety Committee did not feel there were any safety concerns regarding the pilot program. Therefore, the subcommittee members will continue their discussion on this issue, make any revisions necessary and present the proposal for consideration to the Modified Committee at their Spring 2012 meeting.

- Modified sport coordinators are needed for girls' gymnastics and boys' and girls' tennis. If anyone is interested, please contact Jim Rose.
- The Spring meeting of the Modified Committee is scheduled for Friday, March 30, 2012 at 9:00AM at the NYSPHSAA office.

**Past Presidents Committee.** Executive Director Nina Van Erk
- Nominations for a male athletic representative as the 2nd Vice President in the rotation of the NYSPHSAA Officers are being accepted. Officers of a Section or a member of the Executive Committee may be nominated.
- Nominations are due by January 2012.

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

**Sportsmanship Brochure**
A motion to approve the distribution of the NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Brochure to our member schools carried. Harrica/DeCillis

**Hazing Webinar**
- In August, the NYSPHSAA held three live hazing webinars. Over 100 individuals participated. We received many favorable comments. A recorded webinar was produced and can be found on the NYSPHSAA website.
- Two more live webinars will be offered in November: November 8th and 15th from 3PM to 4PM. Anyone interested in participating can click on the following links:
  - November 8, 2011 – 3-4PM: https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/112034784
  - November 15, 2011 – 3-4PM: https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/208781665
- Please contact Todd Nelson in the NYSPHSAA office with any questions or concerns.

**Ice Hockey Disqualifications**
- He reminded at the May 2011 Executive Committee meeting, a recommendation from the Ice Hockey Committee and the Sportsmanship Committee to increase the amount of disqualifications a coach or player may receive in a contest to a maximum of 2 per contest. This increases the amount allotted by the NFHS Ice Hockey Rulebook.

**Brine Believes in Sportsmanship**
- Brine has agreed to help the NYSPHSAA promote sportsmanship in the sport of soccer. Brine will recognize one girls' soccer team and one boys' soccer team from each Section that has received no yellow or red cards during the varsity season. If a Section has no teams that meet the criteria, Brine will recognize the team with the fewest cards in the Section. Each team that meets the criteria will receive a certificate from Brine and the NYSPHSAA. If more than one team is eligible for the award, the NYSPHSAA will randomly select the winner. Each winner will receive 6 championship soccer balls, a soccer ball bag and a ball pump. We would like to thank Brine for joining the NYSPHSAA to promote positive sportsmanship in the sport of soccer and appreciate the commitment they have made to our member schools.

**Long Range Fiscal Planning Committee.** 1st Vice President Eileen Troy presented the report.
- At the May 2011 Executive Committee meeting, the Budget & Finance Committee was renamed to the
Long Range Fiscal Planning Committee as this committee is responsible for making recommendations for the long term fiscal health of the Association and was never responsible for the development of the budget.

- The current committee consists of three Past Presidents, three Section Executive Directors, two Chief School Officers from the Central Committee, the NYSPHSAA Treasurer, the NYSPHSAA Executive Director and an outside financial professional.
- Discussion is taking place to possibly reconfigure the committee to include the NYSPHSAA 2nd Vice President, the current NYSPHSAA Past President, two Chief School Officers from the Central Committee, a Section Treasurer, a Section Executive Director, the NYSPHSAA Treasurer, the NYSPHSAA Executive Director and an outside financial professional.
- The committee would like to develop a three year projection of revenues and expenditures for the 2012-2013, 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 school years.
- The committee would like to meet twice a year to assist the Executive Director and 1st Vice President when they are building the next years’ budget.

REPORTS FROM EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS AND CONSULTANTS

**State Education Department.** Darryl Daily, Interim Associate in Physical Education presented the written report.

- **Revision of Selection & Classification** – The Guidance Document is in final stages of revision before going to Office of Counsel in November. He will be meeting with Nina and Todd on Friday, October 28th for further discussion. The program name will be changed to Advanced Athletic Placement for Interschool Athletic Programs. It is hoped to implement the revised program for the 2012 school year.
- **Guidance Document for Elementary Physical Education K-3** – This document emphasizes the integration of physical activities into other areas so that students can learn more efficiently. The document can be found on the NYSED website link: Elementary Physical Education: Integration Resource Document.
- **Online and blended Course Credit** for physical education is now in effect. The Board of Regents has approved the use of online course work for making up failed course work and for achieving course credit. See NYSED website link: [http://www.p12.nysed.gov/part100/pages/1005.html#Credit](http://www.p12.nysed.gov/part100/pages/1005.html#Credit).
- **Dignity For All Students Act (DASA)** – This is an antibullying initiative that goes into effect on January 1, 2012. See the New York State Center for School Safety link for the fact sheet that gives an overview of the initiative. [http://www.swboces.org/files/filesystem/Dig%20for%20all%20fact%20sheet.pdf](http://www.swboces.org/files/filesystem/Dig%20for%20all%20fact%20sheet.pdf).
- **Concussion Management Bill** – The legislation will go into effect on July 1, 2012. A stakeholders group including the NYSPHSAA, SED and the NYS Department of Health has been organized. A meeting with the Brain Injury Group took place on Tuesday, October 25th.
- **Return to Play** – Reminded that the school medical officer (physician or nurse practitioner) is the only individual that can return an athlete to play after an injury or prolonged illness. The new NFHS rule regarding officials removing athletes for exhibiting signs/symptoms of a head injury will require that athlete to be cleared by the school medical officer before they can return to play. The State Education
Department is aware that the school medical officer may not be on the sideline for every game however, this is the current regulation and the health and safety of the athlete is the main concern. There has been much discussion about the use of other appropriate medical personnel such as Athletic Trainers, EMT's or school nurses. However, the Office of Professions has informed us that these individuals would be exceeding the parameters of their licensure if they did so.

- He emphasized the importance of having a quality physical education program and suggested schools look at their curriculum plans as they give direction to where school athletic programs and physical education programs are going.

**NYS Council of Administrators.** Jim Rose presented the report.

- The COA conference “Healthy Students-Healthy Schools” will be held November 16-17, 2011 at the Turning Stone Resort, Verona, NY.
- Roger Reynolds, Cooper Fitness Institute and Steven Deinhardt, Assistant Superintendent, Binghamton City School District are the keynote speakers.
- Conference participants will be able to take intensive training courses, as well as attend professional development sessions.
- To register, go to the NYSAHPERD website or the COA website: www.nysahperd.org/coa/
- For the first time the COA has successfully negotiated conference sponsorship with two vendors.
- The COA would like to welcome Darryl Daily, the interim SED Associate for Physical Education.
- Announced he will be the new President following the 2011 conference.

**NYS Athletic Administrators Association.** Alan Mallanda, Executive Director, presented the report.

- Encouraged all to check out their website – www.nysaaa.org.
- Announced the NIAAA will be offering webinars for Leadership Training Courses. Seven courses will offered this fall, some of which have already begun.
- Announced the NIAAA student athlete scholarship essay application forms are posted on the NYSSAA website. The deadline for submission is December.
- The NYSAAA Annual Conference will be held March 13-16, 2012 in Saratoga Springs. Program highlights, registration forms and hotel registration are all available on their website. Eight leadership training courses will be offered at the conference. A new course will offered this year, LTC 721 – Positive Sporting Behavior. The CAA Exam will be held on Friday morning, March 16th.
- Reported their November newsletter will be emailed soon and will also be posted on their website.
- Reported their September Board Meeting minutes were posted on their website. In those minutes, the Board approved the concept and implementation in 2013 of an athletic administrators Hall of Fame. Wayne Bertrand was appointed to chair the Hall of Fame Committee.
- Announced an updated NYS Certified Athletic Administrators list is posted on their website.
- Announced the NIAAA Conference will be held on December 10-13, 2011 in Indianapolis, IN.
- Thanked the Association for their partnership and continued support.

A **motion to approve** the adjournment of the October 2011 Executive Committee meeting on Monday, October 24, 2011 at 10:25AM carried.  

Respectfully submitted,  

Harrica/O'Brien

Nina Van Erk  
Executive Director