SYNOPSIS OF ACTIONS
October 21, 2012 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
NYSPHSAA Office, Latham

ACTION ITEMS

1. P3 Approved August 2012 Central Committee minutes.
2. P4 Approved the reduction of required number of contests in Girls Gymnastics from 6 to 4 in Section 7.
3. P4 Approved the reduction of required number of contests in Boys and Girls Indoor Track from 6 to 4 in Sections 1, 3 and 7.
4. P4 Approved the reduction of required number of contests in Boys and Girls Skiing from 6 to 4 in Sections 1 and 7.
5. P4 Approved West Point (9) as the site for the 2013 Rifle Regionals.
6. P5 Defeated to allow one team sport coordinator and one individual sport coordinator to attend the Central Committee for a one year trial period.
7. P13 Approved as Friends and Neighbors: St. Margaret School (1), Holy Cross Academy (3), Rochester Christian School (5), Andrews-Trahey School (5), St. Mary's School (7), West Point Middle School (9), Regina Coeli School (9).
9. P15 Approved additional language to the Bylaws and Eligibility Standards, #3i (pg. 94-NYSPHSAA Handbook) as per advice of Counsel.
10. P15 Approved a word change in the last sentence of Modified Program, #13 Promotion, (2) (pg. 136-NYSPHSAA Handbook) for clarity for schools who don't have a JV team.
11. P16 Approved in Modified Wrestling the weight variance of a contestant to compete against a Competitor who is either in a lower or higher weight group, as long as both wrestlers stay within the variance listed.
19. P20 Approved adjournment.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM – JANUARY 2013 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Fiscal reductions currently in effect be extended
NEW YORK STATE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES
NYSPHSAA Office, Latham
October 21, 2012

The Executive Committee meeting was called to order by President Eileen Troy at 1:30PM. President Troy introduced members of the Executive Committee and took attendance as follows:

**Officers & Staff**
- President Eileen Troy
- First Vice President Stephen Broadwell
- Second Vice President James Osborne
- Past President Mark Ward
- Executive Director Robert Zayas
- Assistant Director Robert Stulmaker
- Assistant Director Todd Nelson
- Assistant Director Joe Altieri
- Treasurer Jeanette Neven
- Counsel Renee James
- Secretary Sandra Schanck

**Past Presidents**
- Kathryn Faber
- Richard McGuire

**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 Bergman, Ben Nelson (proxy)
- Section 5: Kimberly Henshaw, Gary Mix (proxy for Dennis O’Brien)
- Section 6: Cindy Bullis, Don Scholla
- Section 7: Patricia Ryan-Curry, Karen Lopez (proxy for Joseph Staves)
- Section 8: Chris Ceruti, Dominick Vulpis
- Section 9: Roberta Greene, James Wolfe
- Section 10: Lori Brewer, Paul Harrica
- Section 11: Lisa Lally, Timothy Mullins

**Ex-Officio & Consultants**
- Jim Rose, Modified State Co-Coordinator & President-NYSOCOA
- Roberta Greene, Handbook Coordinator
- Patti Murphy, Life of an Athlete Co-Coordinator
- Thad Lawrence, Life of an Athlete Co-Coordinator
- Darryl Daily - SED

**Section Ex. Directors**
- Jennifer Simmons (1) Karen Lopez (7)
- Wayne Bertrand (2) Nina Van Erk (8)
- John Rathbun (3) Carl Normandin (10)
- Ben Nelson (4) Ed Cinelli (11)
Section Treasurers
Lauren Ratajczak (6)

Guests
Greg Ransom
Nick DeCillis – Special Consultant to Ex. Board-Section 11

A motion to approve the August 2012 Central Committee Meeting minutes as written carried. Bergman/Lally

ORAL AND PRINTED REPORTS WERE PRESENTED BY ASSOCIATION OFFICERS AND STAFF

President Eileen Troy
- Welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- Reported she had attended the Sport Coordinators meeting in August, the NFHS Section I meeting in Atlantic City, NJ at the beginning of October and the mandatory Athletic Directors’ Workshop in Section 2.
- Stated she is looking forward to an exciting year and working with everyone.

1st Vice President Stephen Broadwell
- Welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- Stated he looked forward to attending the fall championships.

Executive Director Robert Zayas
- Welcomed everyone to the meeting and stated it was an honor and privilege to be sitting in the position of Executive Director of the NYS Public High School Athletic Association.
- He reported on his attendance at various conferences, meetings and championships during the months of September through October.

Combining of Teams Ad Hoc Committee
- The committee will be meeting in early November via teleconference to discuss the combining of teams.
- Section Executive Directors have been asked to submit the name of an individual to represent their Section on the committee.
- The committee will bring a proposal to the January Executive Committee meeting for action. Action is required in January to impact the 2013-2014 school year.

Cheerleading Regional Invitational
- The Association released the Cheerleading Booklet on Monday, October 15 for the East and West Invitational Events being held during the 2012-2013 Winter season. The East Invitational will be held January 26, 2013 at Arlington High School (Section 1) and the West Invitational will be held March 9, 2013 at Rochester Institute of Technology (Section 5).
- Schools may enter for only one event. We will do our best to ensure that all schools wishing to participate in an event will have the opportunity to do so.
- Requirements for a team to compete and registration information are outlined in the booklet at the following link: http://www.nysphsaa.org/forms/pdf/Cheerleading.pdf

Uniformed Calendar 2013-2014
- The Association staff will explore the possibility of creating a uniformed calendar for meetings in an effort to enhance communication pertaining to Executive Committee and Central Committee action items. More information will be provided at the January Executive Committee meeting.
NFHS Section 1 Citation Award
- The Association is proud to announce long time NYSPHSAA staff member Lloyd Mott will be awarded the NFHS Section 1 Citation Award at the 2013 NFHS Summer meeting in Denver, Colorado, in recognition of his dedicated service and commitment to the students of New York.

NYSPHSAA Website Re-Design
- The Association is currently in the process of evaluating potential website development companies to complete a website re-design in preparation for the 2013-2014 school year. The goal is to develop a highly engaging, educational, functional and informational website that will cater to a wide range of user types to provide a single, comprehensive portal for all information related to the Association. This site must serve NYSPHSAA’s High School and Middle School members, AD’s, coaches, students/parents, officials, principals/superintendents, as well as sponsors and general supporters of the activities and athletics.

Broadcasting Rights Partner
- The NYSPHSAA is currently negotiating for the Association’s State Championship broadcast rights. The goal is to enter into an agreement with a company or companies that will provide the most exposure for the student-athletes competing at the State Championship events. More information pertaining to this agreement will be released in the coming weeks.

Retroactive Waiver Request
- Section 7 submitted a request to have the required number of Girls Gymnastics reduced from 6 to 4 because they have only 3 schools with a team and they compete in the fall season. Their schedule consists of 3 competitions against each school for a total of 6 scheduled meets. Since their Sectional date was Saturday, October 20, the waiver was granted pending retroactive action.

A motion to approve by retroactive action, a reduction of the required number of contests in Girls Gymnastics from 6 to 4 in Section 7 carried.

Waiver Requests
A motion to approve a reduction in the number of required contests from 6 to 4 in Boys and Girls Indoor Track to be eligible for sectional or state competition in Sections 1, 3 and 7 carried.
A motion to approve a reduction in the number of required contests from 6 to 4 in Boys and Girls Skiing to be eligible for sectional or state competition in Sections 1 and 7 carried.

- Future Meeting Dates
  - Executive Committee
    January 29, 2013 – Conference Call – 9:00AM
    May 3-4, 2013 – TBD
  - Central Committee
    July 30-August 1, 2013 – Woodcliff inn, Fairport (5) (Tuesday – Thursday)
    2014 High Peaks Resort, Lake Placid (7) is not available for the dates we wanted due to a lacrosse tournament. Robert will be working with Steve Broadwell to secure another hotel. More information will be available at the January Executive Committee meeting.

Assistant Director Robert Stulmaker

State Championships/Regionals
- A schedule of championship sites for 2012-2013 was included in the meeting packet.

A motion to approve West Point (9) as the site for the 2013 Rifle Regionals carried. Vulpis/Felice
- Provisions for Emergency Crowd Control and AED 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 23 & 24). NOTE: State Courtesy passes 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.
• The anticipated championship dates/sites for 2013-2014 and beyond are included in the meeting packet.
• Approval for the 2013-2014 championship schedule will be an action item in January 2013.

State Sports Coordinators
• Sports whose State Coordinators are up for (re)appointments scheduled during 2012-2013 are: Baseball, Boys Bowling, Boys Gymnastics, Ice Hockey, Boys Swimming & Diving, Wrestling, Girls Bowling, Field Hockey, Girls Soccer, Girls Indoor Track & Field.
• Because Sport Coordinators no longer attend the Central Committee meeting in August, they have requested one team sport coordinator and one individual sport coordinator attend Executive/Central Committee meetings to keep them informed on what is going on within the Association.

A motion was defeated to allow one team sport coordinator and one individual sport coordinator to attend the Central Committee meeting for a one year trial period. Hemstead/Harrica

Scholar/Athlete Team Award Program
• This is the 22nd year of the Scholar/Athlete Team Award Program.
• The 2012-2013 awards are Pins for all team’s whose GPA is 95% and above; Certificates for all teams who have a GPA of 90% to 94.999%; a State Champion Team Banner to the school that has the highest average statewide.
• The Fall 2012 deadline to apply for awards is Friday, December 7, 2012.
• Thank you to Pupil Benefits Plan, Inc. for their renewed sponsorship for the 18th year in a row.

NYS Federation of Secondary Schools Athletic Association
• Their Fall meeting was held on September 28, 2012.
• The 2012-2013 slate of officers are: President: Bob Stulmaker, PHSAA; Vice President: MJ Quigley, AISAA; Secretary: Tom Murray, CHSAA; Acting Treasurer: Walter Eaton; Acting Executive Secretary: Walter Eaton.
• The next meeting of the Federation Council is scheduled for December 11, 2012.

Community Service Challenge
• The application form for the Community Service Challenge can be found on the Association website.
• May 1, 2013 is the deadline for schools to submit projects to the Section.
• June 1, 2013 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 21, 2012.
• The updated OCF Directory was distributed. Copies are available upon request.
• Sections 2 and 5 went to a Fact Finding Hearing. We have not heard back from Section 2. Section 5 and their officials have agreed to the fact finding recommendations and have resolved their issue.
• Paul Weatherup, longtime OCF Chairperson, announced he will retire after the October 2013 OCF meeting. He will have served 40 years on the committee.
• The spring meeting is scheduled for Saturday, May 11, 2013 and will be held via conference call.

Assistant Director Todd Nelson

Classification of Schools
• SED will once again be utilizing the Student Information Reporting System (SIRS) to establish BEDS numbers for all schools in New York State. Todd contacted the SIRS department to confirm that we will be able to receive the same reports we received last year to help classify our member schools. We will receive the reports at the beginning of January. It will take 3 or 4 days to put together a report to send to the Section Executive Directors to identify any outstanding errors in the numbers. Once the Section
Executive Directors have verified the numbers and the schools within their section, a recommendation will be brought to the January Executive Committee meeting for the classification numbers for next year.

- Due to a variety of factors, most of the variation sports were not prepared to make a recommendation on any changes to the current cut-off numbers for 2013-2014. Only Boys Volleyball made a recommendation to not make any changes to their current cut-off numbers for the 2013-2014 school year. The other sports are requesting more time to examine their cut-off numbers and make a recommendation at the January Executive Committee meeting. Todd hopes to get any recommendation that may come from the sport committees to the sections by November so they can be discussed in their sections.

- The new 5 class cut-off numbers have been approved for the 2013-2014 school year and were reported in each of the mandatory AD workshops.

Professional Development for Coaches

- The Association has contracted with a company to video and produce six sport presentations that will be used for our on-line video library. They will be available to all coaches at the beginning of January. There will be a fee of $10.00 per viewing of each video. Webinars will be recorded on other topics that can be seen and used by our coaches to help improve their professional development. The webinars will be announced and advertised as they become available.

Championship Tournaments

- He asked that all member schools be reminded that as we approach the fall sports championship season, it is imperative that schools cooperate by having their team pictures and rosters submitted to our office following the section championships. Rosters can be submitted by going to our website (www.nysphsaa.org) and pictures can be emailed to pictures@nysphsaa.org.

- He also reminded schools that championship gate lists are due in our office two days prior to our semi and final games. These lists are for team sports only and allow a maximum of 8 individuals free entrance into the contests. If a school wishes to have more than 8 individuals, they will be billed back for the number of guests above the allowable amount.

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

Fall 2012 Championship News and Notes

- Souvenir Vendors – All vendors have been determined for the Fall Championships. Based on the bid guarantees, a minimum of $62,000 will represent souvenir revenues for Fall sports.

- We will continue to use TicketLeap as our online management system for e-ticketing.

- Sports Authority Admission Ticketing is now being used. (see Corporate Sponsorships for details)

Corporate Sponsorships

- Price Chopper – A one-year contract has been signed for a Platinum Level in-kind sponsorship. 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 and stores.

- Nike – An addendum to our current five-year contract was negotiated and signed to include “chip” timing for the cross country championships. The sponsorship is now in the Bronze category and we will have a more efficient timing and scoring system for the next five years.

- CSEA – A one-year Bronze Level sponsorship has been signed with CSEA. This will be the 10th consecutive year of the partnership. CSEA and the Association have announced Gary Van Asselt, a maintenance worker and cleaner at Haldane Central School since 1991 as the recipient of the 3rd annual Excelsior Award. He will be honored at a CSEA event and the NYSPHSAA Football Championships at the Carrier Dome in November.

- Sports Authority – Thanks to a recent Bronze Level sponsorship, we will not have a need to purchase championship admission tickets. The Association recently received 120,000 tickets and six Sections
were provided a total of 210,000 tickets for their local events. Tickets are branded with NYSPHSAA on the front and a Sports Authority coupon on the back.

- **Jostens** – A three-year in-kind Bronze Level sponsorship has been signed in which Jostens would continue to sponsor our Hall of Fame with inductee rings and watches and also provide the official Champion ring for teams and individuals at our state tournaments at a discounted price.

- The following sponsors are providing “Contributing” Level sponsorships for our Fall Championships: MF Athletic Co., Athletic Management, The Ramada, Utica Memorial Authority (sponsored half of the initiative for the NYSPHSAA logo to be on the Auditorium floor/ice for the entire year including our ice hockey championships).

- A listing of the Sponsorship Levels was included in the meeting packets.

**Public Relations/Marketing**

- **Marketing** – No television campaigns have been executed for our fall championships due to negotiations with Time Warner and looking into media rights partnership. Radio campaigns will be implemented for girls/boy volleyball, girls soccer, boys soccer, and football. Approximately 490 posters were designed, printed and mailed for football, girls soccer, boys soccer and volleyball to market our championships in various communities. Thanks to a cash and in-kind sponsorship from Athletic Management, the printing of the posters was sponsored for this marketing project.

**Media**

- Our office designed, printed, laminated and mailed over 500 “All-Tournament” media credentials to outlets across the state for our Regional and State Tournament events in 2012-2013. A reminder that media may present our credential at your Section event and it is your decision to accept the credential or not.

- Negotiations are in process for Time Warner to broadcast for the first time ever our Girls Tennis Championship on November 5th.

- **Media Rights Contract** – We are in the process of weighing all options for a long-term media contract. More information pertaining to this agreement will be released in the coming weeks.

**Fall Intern**

- **Leigh Schreiner**, a senior communications major at UAlbany and a varsity volleyball and lacrosse athlete and graduate of Williamsville North High School in Section VI, has begun a fall internship with the marketing department of the Association. She has been writing press releases, designing ads for programs, assisting with sponsorships and helping with our poster and radio campaign for several championships.

**Treasurer.** Executive Director Zayas reviewed the budget and highlighted the following:

- The cash as been reconciled.

- Still working on fixed assets to ensure nothing has been purchased over the last calendar year that would positively or negatively affect the fixed assets.

- Looking at retiree health benefits.

- Reported we are doing very well financially in many of our state championships. Although we are losing money in only five state championships, his goal is to not lose money at any state championships. He will be looking into how we can improve our state championships and also how we can reduce expenses and increase revenue at state championships.

**Counselor Renee James**

- Reported we had won three cases:
  
  - **Immaculate Heart Conception** – sued us in Federal Court alleging a violation of the Equal Protection Clause. They are a non-public school who was moved up a classification. The Court granted our motion for summary judgment dismissing the lawsuit finding there was not a violation of the Equal
Protection Act. We now have two Federal Court decision, one State Court decision and the Commissioner of Education’s decision upholding our classification of non-public schools policy.

- **Lacey** – He was a soccer official who sued the Association and Section VII after he claimed he was improperly expelled from the soccer officials association. He claimed the Association and the Section were negligent in hearing his appeals even after we sent letters stating we do not have jurisdiction. The Court dismissed his claims finding that the Section and the Association have no jurisdiction or authority to intervene with respect to what happens in the soccer officials association and therefore there was no negligence on our behalf.

- **Moore** – sued in Small Claims Court based on claims he was wrongfully expelled from the volleyball officials association and the OCF failed to do anything. The case was dismissed finding there was no contractual agreement between the officials and the Section.

  - Reported she had received phone calls from an attorney who represents a Section V school district who wanted to know about our Transgender Policy. She stated we have started to look into it but need help from SED in terms of the Mixed Competition Rule and how that may interplay with the Transgender Policy. The Transgender Committee will review draft policies we have received from other State Associations and will work with the SED to develop a policy.
  
  - Reported there are also a number of issues regarding the Mixed Competition Rule. We will work with SED to address and resolve these issues.

**SECTION CONCERNS AND INPUT**

**Section 1.** A motion was withdrawn to approve the January 2009 fiscal reductions (12) that are currently in effect, to remain in effect for the next four years. (Noting that some have been modified since its inception: three Executive/Central meetings, into four with one Executive meeting being a conference call meeting, the Championship Advisory Committee resolved their issues and the safety meeting was changed to once every two years.) This will be placed on the January Executive Committee agenda as a Discussion Item with possible action.

**Section 2** inquired about the status with the Safety Committee regarding Section uniforms being worn at the Wrestling State Championships as it pertains to the response time of medical personnel. Todd Nelson reported the Safety Committee agrees the wearing of Section uniforms at the State Wrestling Championships would improve the efficiency and time in which the appropriate medical personnel could respond to an injured athlete.

**Section 9** asked if Section finances are audited in all Sections.

**Section 11** asked if the Sunday/Monday meeting format of the October Executive Committee still worked for everyone or should other alternatives be looked at. Consensus was that there should be no change to the present Sunday/Monday meeting format.

**SECTION EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S CONCERNS AND INPUT**

- Discussed an issue in Section 3 regarding an IEP student who requested continuation of a second year of eligibility. SED mistakenly gave information that it was ok to participate an additional year plus she could participate until 21 years of age. This information has been rectified by SED who clarified it is a one year waiver only.

- Reported they are sending information and suggestions regarding foreign and international students to the Handbook Committee.

- They discussed at great length the issue of combining of schools. During their discussion a number of other issues regarding the combining of schools were brought up and they inquired if the Ad Hoc Committee being formed to review the issue of combining of schools is only going to look at classification numbers or will they look at other issues as well. Other issues they would like reviewed are consistencies in the merger application; does there need to be a process for de-merging (i.e. after a merger has been approved by both schools Boards of Education, when the season starts each school
realizes they can support their own team, what happens?); preserving the intent of combining of schools which was for small schools/small teams that were struggling to put teams together which seems to be moving towards combining larger schools for financial reasons.

• They discussed the possibility of developing guidelines for the Mixed Competition Regulation similar to the Transfer Guidelines for consistency.

• There was discussion that some Sections are noticing an increase in the need for disciplinary action of officials when they are at a contest. Bob Stulmaker stated there is verbiage in the Handbook under the Sportsmanship Regulations pertaining to officials in regards to inappropriate/unacceptable behavior.

COMBINING OF SCHOOLS

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

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Deposit & Hancock

Downsville & Roscoe

Elmira Free Academy & Elmira Southside
Gilbertsville-Mt. Upton & Morris
Newfield & Trumansburg
Seton Catholic & Binghamton
Sidney & Bainbridge-Guilford
Union Springs & Port Byron

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Elba & Byron-Bergen
Aquinas Institute & Siena Catholic
Lyons & Sodus
Williamson & Sodus

Pittsford Mendon & Pittsford Sutherland
Greece Athena & Greece Odyssey
Greece Arcadia & Greece Olympia
Honeoye Falls, Brighton & East Rochester
Livonia & Genesee
Batavia & Alexander
Wayne, Bishop Kearney & East Irondequoit
Jefferson & Edison
South Seneca & Romulus

Penfield & Brighton
Leadership Academy (RCSD) & Charlotte

Ice Hockey (V)
Ice Hockey (V)
B. Swimming (V)
Wrestling (Mod.)
Wrestling (Mod.)
Wrestling (V, JV, Mod.)
Baseball (V, Mod.)
All Modified Sports

Indoor Track & Field (V, Mod.)
Spring Track & Field (V, Mod.)
Wrestling (V, JV, Mod.)
B/G Soccer (V, Mod.)
All Teams are merged.
Football (V, Mod.)
Wrestling (V, Mod.)
B/G Cross Country (V, Mod.)
Football (V, JV, Mod.)
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B. Golf
B. Basketball
B. Soccer
Football
G. Volleyball
G. Golf
B. Soccer
B. Volleyball
NE/NW College Prep (RCSD) & School of the Arts (RCSD)

Monroe & Edison

Jefferson, Franklin, Dr. Freddie Thomas & World of Inquiry (RCSD)
Early College, School without Walls & Wilson

Dr. Freddie Thomas & Marshall

Wilson, Early College, School without Walls & Monroe
Dr. Freddie Thomas, Charlotte, Leadership Academy & Marshall

School of the Arts, School #58 (RCSD) & East

College Prep, Jefferson & Franklin
Jefferson & Franklin

Early College & Wilson

Jefferson, Franklin & World of Inquiry

Edison & Charlotte
Franklin & NE/NW College Prep
Leadership Academy, Charlotte & Wilson
School of the Arts & School without Walls
East, World of Inquiry & School of the Arts
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School without Walls & East
Dr. Freddie Thomas, Marshall, Early College & Wilson

Lake Placid & AuSable Valley
Peru & Saranac

B. Basketball
B. Swimming
Indoor Track

B/G Soccer
B/G Volleyball
G. Tennis
Bowling
B. Soccer
Football
B/G Bowling
B. Swimming
Indoor Track

B. Soccer
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G. Tennis
Bowling
B. Basketball
Indoor Track

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Indoor Track
G. Volleyball
B/G Bowling

B/G Cross Country
B/G Cross Country
Bowling
B. Basketball
B. Swimming
B. Swimming
G. Basketball
Indoor Track
Wrestling
Wrestling

B. Ice Hockey
B. Ice Hockey
Plattsburgh & Lake Placid (original merger-Aug. 2012 CC Meeting Minutes)
Added to this merger – Chazy
G. Gymnastics
Peru & Saranac (original merger-Aug. 2012 CC Meeting Minutes)
Added to this merger – Beekmantown
Saranac Lake & Lake Placid
G. Swimming
G. Lacrosse (V)
B. Lacrosse (V, Mod.)

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Kingston & The Mount Academy
Franklin Delano Roosevelt & Millbrook Central
Pawling Central & Dover Union Free
Fallsburg Central & Eldred
Roscoe & Downsville
All Winter/ Spring sports
G. Swimming
B. Ice Hockey
Wrestling
G. Basketball
B/G Golf
Softball
Baseball
B/G Track
B. Lacrosse

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East Hampton, Bridgehampton & Pierson
B/G Winter Track

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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LCAA Sr. All-Star Contest - B. Soccer
LCAA Div. I v. LCAA Div. II Sr. All-Star Contest - G. Soccer
Finger Lakes West v. Allegany County Sr. All-Star Contest - G. Soccer
Rochester/P.P. v. Monroe County Div. III Sr. All-Star Contest - G. Soccer
Finger Lakes East v. Genesee County Sr. All-Star Contest - G. Soccer
Monroe County Div. I v. Monroe County Div. II Sr. All-Star Contest - G. Soccer
Steuben County v. Wayne County Sr. All-Star Contest - G. Soccer
Steuben County & Allegany County Sr. All-Star Contest - B. Soccer
LCAA Sr. All-Star Contest - B/G Basketball

Exceptional Seniors Soccer Match - B/G Soccer
Section 6 Senior Game - Field Hockey

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

Carboine/McGuire

Section 1
St. Margaret School
34 No. Magnolia Street
Pearl River, NY 10965
Grades 7-8

Section 3
Holy Cross Academy
4020 Barrington Road
Oneida, NY 13421
Grades 7-12
(Retroactive to August 2012)

Section 5
Rochester Christian School
260 Embury Road
Rochester, NY 14625
Grades 7-8
(Retroactive to August 2012)

Section 7
St. Mary’s School
64 Amherst Avenue
Ticonderoga, NY 12883
Grades 7-8

Section 9
West Point Middle School
705 Barry Road
West Point, NY 10996
Grades 7-8

Section 9
Regina Coeli School
4337 Albany Post Road
Hyde Park, NY 12538
Grades 7-8

NEW MEMBERS
A motion to approve the following applications for NYSPHSAA Membership status carried.

Mullins/Harrica

Section 4
New Roots Charter School
116 North Cayuga Street
Ithaca, NY 14851
Grades 9-12
(Retroactive to August 2012)

Section 5
Rochester Career Mentoring Charter School
30 Hart Street
Rochester, NY 14605
Grade 9
(Retroactive to August 2012)
Section 5
Young Women’s College Prep Charter School
1001 Lake Avenue
Rochester, NY 14613
Grade 7
(Retroactive to August 2012)

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

Budget Committee. Steve Broadwell, 1st VP
- Reported the committee will be meeting in November to start looking at the 2013-2014 budget.

Life of An Athlete. Patti Murphy and Thad Lawrence, Co-Coordinates, presented the report.
- The Life of an Athlete Committee meeting was held by conference call on October 15, 2012.
- Reported attendance is still a problem. Only four Sections were represented at the meeting: Sections 2, 3, 4 and 11. Asked if there has been a change in representatives in Sections to please let them know.
- Suggestions for items for the website include self-evaluation for athletes, coaches and AD’s; new trends, how to talk to your student athletes, updates and code re-evaluations, sleep, nutrition information, links to other sites for more information as well as videos on healthy lifestyle practices.
- The committee is looking into a year by year program for high school; diversifying the Life of an Athlete Program into freshman, sophomore and junior/senior sections and adding information pertaining to those specific grades.
- Materials for the modified program have been updated with more current information.
- They would like all representatives to attend the updates at the Olympic Training Center in Lake Placid on December 6-9. If a representative cannot attend, they would like them to send a flash drive to Patti who will put all the information from the update meeting on it so it can be utilized in their school.
- They would like to propose revisiting the Life of an Athlete mandate to rotate on opposite years of the Safety Committee mandate starting with the 2013-2014 school year.
- The next meeting of the Life of an Athlete Committee is scheduled for Thursday, March 14, 2013 at the NYSAAA Conference in Saratoga.

Handbook Committee. Chairperson Robbie Greene presented the report.
- The committee met on October 12, 2012 by telephone conference.

Transfer Rule
- The committee weighed the need to clarify the rule to be more clearly stated and user friendly. Over the years with numerous additions and amendments, the clarity has become an issue for those seeking guidance and/or relief under this rule.
- Renee James will be working on drafting the rule in a more organized manner; content is not intended to change.
- The committee is requesting the Transfer Committee look at the language on the current Transfer Form under the “Academic Hardship” section in order to consider “significant” academic programming changes within the confines of student-athlete movement for increased academic opportunity.
- Robbie reported on a question regarding the new DASA legislation. If a student were to be persistently bullied, would that be a reason for transfer under the Health and Safety category on the Transfer Form. They will be monitoring this.
Foreign Exchange/International Students
• Discussion is ongoing regarding foreign exchange/international students who desire to remain for a second year.

Transgender Policy
• A subcommittee will be formed to draft a Transgender Policy to use as a starting point in our discussion with SED. (At issue is the potential for violation of the Mixed Competition Rule found within the Commissioner’s Regulation.)
• The Transgender Committee will review draft policies we have received from other State Associations.

Participation
• There was discussion on is it being consistently applied throughout the State?
• They are seeing schools using the definitions of participation vs. representation depending upon the situation.

A motion to approve additional language to the Bylaws and Eligibility Standards, #3i (pg. 94-NYSPHSAA Handbook) as per advice of Counsel carried. Scholla/McGuire
“Any member school which institutes an unsuccessful legal action or appeal to the courts or the Commissioner of Education, to overturn, stay or enjoin an eligibility ruling or rules of the NYSPHSAA.....”

A motion to approve a word change in the last sentence of Modified Program, #13 Promotion, (2) (pg. 136-NYSPHSAA Handbook) for clarity for schools who don’t have a JV team carried. Mullins/Nelson
“Ninth grade contestants promoted at the end of their modified seasons should practice with the varsity team and are limited to post season contests.”

• There was a request for clarification on our Amateur Rule (pg. 92-NYSPHSAA Handbook). When competing in a non high school sponsored event, does an athlete forfeit their amateur status by competing for money or other compensation. Executive Director Zayas stated the Association’s current interpretation of the rule is the “receiving” of the award is what would violate the rule, not the competing.
• There was a request for clarification of the Bona Fide Student regulation. If a student was not taking a PE class during a semester because they had already taken PE during the first semester and did not have room in their schedule the second semester, would they still be eligible to participate in interscholastic athletics during the semester they were not taking the PE class. Darryl Daily from SED clarified that in order to be eligible for interscholastic athletics, a student must be taking some kind of physical education credit during the time they are participating in interscholastic athletics.

Championship Advisory Committee. Assistant Director Bob Stulmaker presented the report.
• The committee welcomed two new members: Patricia Ryan-Curry (Section 7) and John Rathbun (Executive Director-Section 3).
• The committee thanked Ron Black for agreeing to serve as their Chairman.
• The next meeting of the CAC is scheduled for Monday, January 14, 2012 at 9:30AM by telephone conference.

Safety Committee. Assistant Director Todd Nelson presented the report.

Concussion Management
• The committee discussed the new law and how schools are implementing the new requirements and recommendations.
• The Association has developed and distributed to all member schools the 2nd Edition of the Concussion
Management “Invisible Injury” DVD.

- The committee expressed their desire to have SED approve the NFHS Concussion Management course as well as the CDC Youth Concussion course. Darryl Daily stated that a written request from the NYSPHSAA would help him move the request along.
- The NYS Brain Injury Association will be conducting another round table discussion on the topic of concussion management. It is tentatively scheduled for December 4, 2012. The NYSPHSAA will be well represented at this meeting.

NFHS Injury Surveillance Survey/Girls Lacrosse

- The committee received a copy of the NFHS Injury Surveillance Survey results for the 2011-2012 school year. It has provided a wealth of data for the committee to consider in a variety of sports.
- The committee reviewed and discussed the number of head and face injuries that were reported in the sport of girl’s lacrosse. The results showed the actual number of injuries decreased from 2010-2011 to 2011-2012 but the percentage of head/face injuries actually increased from one school year to the next. The committee will continue to monitor the results and the trends in the sport of girl’s lacrosse.
- The survey results can be found at http://www.nationwidechildrens.org/cirp-rio-study-reports.

Modified Recommendations

- The committee did discuss a recommendation by the Modified Committee to approve a six pound variance for program #2 in the sport of wrestling. This would allow a competitor to compete with another competitor in a high set of weights as long as the two wrestlers weighed within 6 pounds of each other. The Safety Committee approved this recommendation with a vote of 9-0.

Sports Medicine Webinars

- The committee discussed possible sports medicine webinars sponsored by the NYSPHSAA.
- The Association is planning on holding a round table discussion on the new concussion management law. The discussion would focus on the concerns school district are facing and solutions schools have used to address those concerns. The webinar will be held in November. The date and time will be announced shortly.
- There is also a sports nutrition webinar and skin infection webinar which can be found on the Association website at www.nyphsaa.org.

Modified Committee. James Rose, Co-Coordinator.

- A synopsis of the committee’s October 5, 2012 meeting was included in the meeting packets.

A motion to approve in Modified Wrestling the weight variance of a contestant to compete against a competitor who is either in a lower or higher weight group, as long as both wrestlers stay within the variance listed carried. (i.e. A wrestler in the 70-80 lbs. group who weighs 78 lbs. can compete with a wrestler in the 80-90 lbs. weight group, as long as the heavier wrestler does not weigh more than 84 lbs.) McGuire/Felice

A motion to approve the following editorial change in the Modified Badminton Game Rules (NYSPHSAA Handbook, page 142) carried. Lally/Carboine

Delete Game Rule #3 “A player may either play singles or doubles, but cannot play both in any one interschool contest.” Game Rule #4 will now become Game Rule #3: “For the purpose of ensuring that every eligible badminton player has the opportunity to play in a match, each may play one (1) additional singles or doubles match per day. The individual limitations per day for badminton (Reference: Modified Sports Standards Chart, NYSPHSAA Handbook, p. 140-141) shall be increased to two (2) matchers per day, provided that every individual eligible player plays once before any other player plays twice.”

A motion to approve the following editorial change in the Modified Tennis Game Rules (NYSPHSAA Handbook, page 153) carried. Harrica/Ryan-Curry

Delete Game Rule #4 “A player may either play singles or doubles, but cannot play both in any one interschool contest.” Game Rule #5 will now become Game Rule #4: “For the purpose of ensuring that every eligible tennis player has the opportunity to play in a match, each may play one (1) additional singles or doubles match per day.
The individual limitations per day for tennis (Reference: Modified Sports Standards Chart, NYSPHSAA Handbook, p. 140-141) shall be increased to two (2) matches per day, provided that every individual eligible player plays once before any other player plays twice.”

A motion to approve the following editorial change in the Modified Cross Country Game Rules (NYSPHSAA Handbook, page 144) carried. Mullins/Felice

Delete the sentence “The Section Athletic Council shall determine the date for the mid-season changeover.” beneath the CROSS COUNTRY heading.

Edit Game Rule #2 to read: “The maximum distance shall be 1 ½ miles in the first half of the season and should increase to 2 miles in the second half of the season on the date designated by the Section Athletic Council.”

• Reported an Action item for their next meeting will be “with section/league approval, the modified program fall season starting date will be the 4th Monday of August.” The committee is trying to alleviate special requests from multiple Sections for the fall start date. There already is an early starting date that many of the Sections do not use. Do we wish to use this fall season starting date?

• He reviewed the change in the Baseball/Softball Substitutions rule that will be a discussion item at their next committee meeting.

• There is still a need for Modified sport coordinators 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, April 12, 2013 at 9:30AM at the NYSPHSAA office.

Sportsmanship Committee. Assistant Director Todd Nelson presented the report.

Sportsmanship Promotion Program

• The committee discussed ways to increase participation in the program. There has been a decline over the past couple of years in the number of schools completing the survey and being nominated for the state banner award.

• The current on-line survey is going to be redone and condensed into a one page document.

• The Sections will continue to select up to four schools as Section plaque award winners. From the plaque award winners, the Section will nominate one or two schools to be considered for the state banner award.

• The committee recommends moving the process up to January and February so that athletic administrators will have more opportunity to participate.

Sportsmanship Brochure

• The NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Brochure is available on our website (www.nysphsaa.org) to all of our member schools.

• It is a resource athletic administrators can use to promote positive sportsmanship at their schools.

Hazing Webinar

• The committee encourages all member schools to keep the topic of hazing at the forefront of any coaches, parent, or student-athlete meeting.

• The Association offers hazing workshops to leagues and sections if they would like that opportunity.

• A hazing webinar is available on our website that can be used to help educate the school community.

Brine Believes in Sportsmanship

• Brine will sponsor the Brine Believes in Sportsmanship program this year for our member schools. They will recognize one varsity boys’ team and one varsity girls’ team from each Section that has the fewest number of yellow and red cards during the regular season. The office staff will work with the Sections to determine which teams had the fewest number of cards during the regular season. The winners will be announced in November. Each winner will receive six championship soccer balls, a championship ball bag and a pump.
Creating a Safe and Respectful Environment

- The NFHS has released another free course to help coaches and administrators educate themselves on the dangers of inappropriate, harassing and abusive behavior. The course will also cover hazing, bullying and cyberbullying. These courses are professionally produced and are available on-line. Please visit www.nfhslearn.com to find more information on this and many other courses.

Compensation Committee. President Eileen Troy

- The committee met on Monday, October 22, 2012 at 8:30AM in the NYSPHSAA office.
- Announced there will be a special Central Committee meeting on Friday, November 2, 2012 at 10:00AM to vote on a recommendation coming from the Compensation Committee.

REPORTS FROM EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS AND CONSULTANTS

State Education Department. Darryl Daily, Interim Associate in Physical Education

Concussion Management

- He commended the Association, Nina and Todd for the work done on the Concussion Management Awareness Act.
- For technical support on the Concussion Management courses, please go to www.ncipdirinfo@cdc.gov.
- A CD of the Concussion Management course is now available.

Regents Reform Agenda Items

- Please go to the NYSED website for continuous updates and clarifications information with Common Core Standards, data-driven instruction, Student Learning Objectives or teacher and leader effectiveness: http://engageny.org.
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- Specific Regents Reform Agenda questions should be sent to Regents Fellows at NYS Education Department, 89 Washington Avenue, Albany, NY 12234, phone 518-474-3862, fax 518-473-2056, email address: info@engageny.org.
- Send specific questions regarding the APPR process, including Student Learning Objectives (SLO’s) to educatoreval@mail.nysed.gov.

Selection/Classification Waiver Requests

- The process will remain the same this year until further notice.
- A request was made to be able to Selectively Classifying a student who is turning 15 before June 1st instead of July 1st as no staff is in school.

Applying to be an Approved Agency/Instructor for Coaching Courses

- For information on how to become an approved agency to provide the coaching courses, contact Darryl Daily at ddaily@mail.nysed.gov.

Dignity for All Students Act

- The Dignity for All Students Act went into effect on July 1, 2012.
- The Dignity for All Students Act Student Discrimination, Harassment, and Bullying Prevention and Intervention Sample Local Policy Guideline has been posted on the Dignity Act web site at http://www.p12.nysed.gov/dignityact/documents/LocalDASAModelPolicyFINAL.pdf.
- Other information pertaining to the Dignity for All Students Act can be found on http://www.p12.nysed.gov/dignityact/.
Cyberbullying Act

- The Cyberbullying Act goes into effect July 1, 2013.
- Highlights of the act include requiring schools to act when cyberbullying occurs; ensuring proper protocols are in place to deal with cyberbullying; and setting training requirements for school employees to help identify and prevent cyberbullying.
- He encouraged the continued promotion of professional development and quality physical education, health education and athletic programs throughout New York State.
- Updates to coaching course requirements for First Aid/CPR/AED can be found online on the Physical Education Toolkit.

Contact Information

- Email: ddaily@mail.nysed.gov
- Phone: 518-474-5922

NYS Council of Administrators. Jim Rose presented the report.

- Reminded their annual conference will be held November 14-15, 2012 at Turning Stone. There will be a number of workshops and presentations dealing with the topics of today.

NYS Athletic Administrators Association. A written report was included in the meeting packets.

- Announced the NIAAA and NYSSAA have partnered this year in offering three Outreach Dual Memberships to new athletic administrators who have never been members before and pay their own way for membership in professional organizations. Edward Orman (York-5), Jamie Grimshaw (Red Creek-5 and Jonathan Luce (Allegany-Limestone-6) will receive one year complimentary membership in both NIAAA and NYSSAA.
- Effective July 1st, 2012, all membership applications and renewals will be based on the date joined and will expire on the one year anniversary of the date joined. This will now be in sync with the NIAAA and provide our membership with a full year of membership in all cases. It will only apply to membership renewals and applications received after July 1, 2012.
- Announced Otis Sennett of Baldwinsville, NY (and a former Section 3 Executive Director) will be inducted into the fourth class of the NIAAA Hall of Fame at the NIAAA Conference in San Antonio, TX in December. He is the third inductee from New York to be inducted into the NIAAA Hall of Fame.
- Announced Dennis Fries, CMAA will be the recipient of the NIAAA Award of Merit, the Association’s highest award, at the NIAAA National Conference Banquet in San Antonio, TX in December.
- The NYSSAA is on schedule to implement its own Hall of Fame at the 2014 state conference. Nomination forms and information will be posted on their website. The first class will be inducted at the Dave Martens Awards Luncheon in March of 2014.
- The NYSSAA has a new on-line “Logo Shop” for clothing and accessories. Go to www.MyLocker.net and search for NYSSAA in Lake Luzerne, NY, which brings up their site. The NYSSAA gets a percentage of all purchases to help support its activities.
- The fall schedule for the NIAAA Leadership Training Webinars is available on the NYSSAA website, www.nysaa.org.
- The NYSSAA is proud to be partnering in an initiative with NYSPHSAA and SAANYS to host four morning workshops over the next few months for athletic administrators dealing with very current issues and topics. All will be held in the Albany office. A schedule and information in available on the NYSSAA website.
• Announced their annual conference will be held March 13-15, 2013 in Saratoga. They will be offering at least six Leadership Training Courses as a pre-conference experience, along with certification programs. Conference program highlights, workshops and registration materials are available on their website.

• Announced the annual NIAAA/NFHS Athletic Directors Conference will be held December 14-19, 2012 in San Antonio, TX. Registration materials and information may be found on the NIAAA website, www.niaaa.org.

• The NIAAA is promoting their excellent video for sale relative to the issue of hazing. It is entitled “Dying to Belong – Break the Tradition or Break the Law”. Check it out on their website.

• The NIAAA and NYSSAA endorse a program called The Safe Sport Zone After School Safety Program (www.safesportszone.com) whose mission is to provide a safer environment for after-school events. Over 95% of the public attends an event for the purpose of enjoying or participating in that event. Unfortunately, the other 5% have a different agenda that is disruptive and counterproductive. This counterproductive and disruptive element is less likely to participate if they have to disclose their identity; it is not worth it for the troublemakers. To provide an extra level of security at our gates, a fan is required to show a Photo ID to gain entry into an event. Safe Sport Zone, along with the support of national organizations, the NIAAA, NFHS and ESPN RISE are asking schools to identify all participants who enter high school events.

A motion to approve the adjournment of the October 2012 Executive Committee meeting on Sunday, October 21, 2012 at 4:30PM carried. Harrica/Peterson

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Zayas
Executive Director