

SYNOPSIS OF ACTIONS
MAY 2006 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Holiday Inn-Carrier Circle, Syracuse

ACTION ITEMS

1. P4 Approved January 2006 Executive Committee minutes.
2. P4 Approved a price increase for all rule books and scorebooks effective with the winter sports season.
3. P4 Approved establishing the position of Executive Secretary to the NYS Federation.
4. P5 Approved Section participation in 2006-07 NYSPHSAA Championships and Regionals.
5. P5 Approved reappointment of Tom Hall as Boys Lacrosse State Coordinator for a five year term effective September 1, 2006.
6. P5 Approved reappointment of Dan Doherty as Girls Outdoor Track/Field State Coordinator for a five year term effective September 1, 2006.
7. P8 Approved the overtime procedures in Field Hockey.
8. P8 Approved the modification of the USA Libero Rule (Rule 19.3.1.3) in Boys Volleyball.
9. P8 Approved the modification of the USA Substitution Rule (Rule USAV 15.6.b) in Boys Volleyball.
10. P8 Approved the new Girls Gymnastics rules for the next five years.
11. P9 Approved to continue the overtime experiment of two 45 minute halves during the regular season in Boys Soccer in Sections 4, 5, 6 and 11.
12. P9 Approved a waiver of linespersons in Girls Volleyball during regular season play for Sections 3, 6, 7, 9 and 10.
13. P9 Approved a waiver of reduction of contests from 6 to 2 in Girls Golf for Section 10.
14. P12 Approved the 2006-07 budget.
15. P13 Approved an editorial change in the 2006-08 NYSPSHAA Handbook under Modified Sports Standards-Swimming Game Rule 2.
16. P13 Approved the 2006 high school Boys' Lacrosse ruling requiring that mouthpieces be any color other than clear or white shall be deferred one year for the modified level of play.
17. P13 Denied to waive the six section policy and implement a 3 man officiating system for all Regional and State Semi/Final contests in Boys Basketball.
18. P13 Approved the classification variations for 2006-07 in Field Hockey.
19. P13 Approved annual adjustments of qualifying standards are permitted in Girls Swimming/Diving.
20. P13 Approved the reserve official for State Tournament contests be reimbursed for meal allowance in Girls Soccer.
21. P13 Approved the Commitment of Compete form be required to participate in the Girls Tennis State Championship.
22. P13 Approved a 2 year experiment using the Saturday/Sunday format with a Sunday starting time of 9:00AM for the Girls Volleyball State Championship tournament effective 2007-08.
23. P13 Approved the Officials Fees/Policies will be reviewed and recommended by the Championship Advisory Committee.
24. P13 Approved a language change in the NYSPHSAA's position statement on chemical awareness in the NYSPHSAA Handbook.
25. P14 Approved a one year waiver of the NFHS 1.5% weight loss rule in Wrestling.
26. P14 Approved the weigh-ins for the second day of a tournament will be on the morning of the second day with a one pound allowance in Wrestling.
27. P14 Approved that the refractometer only be used to test hydration for the 2006 season in Wrestling.
28. P14 Approved replacing the hand held calipers with the Tanita Scale be postponed for two years in Wrestling.

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- 29. P14 Approved to be brought back to the Sections for discussion the penalty for a wrestler caught cheating on the hydration test.
- 30. P14 Approved to be brought back to the Sections for discussion the use of eye wear protection which meets ASTM Standards in Field Hockey be optional for 2006 and mandated in 2007.
- 31. P14 Approved to be brought back to the Sections for discussion the Yellow Card Accumulation Policy proposed by the Boys Soccer Committee.
- 32. P14 Approved additional language to Unsportsmanlike Conduct-pg. 71b, line 5 in the NYSPHSAA Handbook.
- 33. P14 Approved additional language to Practice Sessions-pg. 68b, line 4 in the NYSPHSAA Handbook.
- 34. P14 Approved the re-wording of the coaches sign off in the revised copy of the Code of Conduct.
- 35. P14 Approved an editorial change in the NYSPHSAA Handbook to #30-Transfer-pg. 74, Exemptions to (b).
- 36. P14 Approved a letter of notification be sent to schools who participate in non-sanctioned athletic events notifying them of the violation.
- 37. P15 Approved adjournment.

DISCUSSION ITEMS – AUGUST MEETING

Penalty for a wrestler caught cheating on the hydration test.
 Use of eye wear protection in Field Hockey
 Yellow Card Accumulation Policy proposed by Boys Soccer Committee

NEW YORK STATE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES
Holiday Inn-Carrier Circle, Syracuse
May 5, 2006**

The Executive Committee meeting was called to order by President Kathryn Faber at 1:00PM on May 5, 2006. Assistant Director Joe Altieri introduced Brian Kaforey and Jennifer Cummings, the Association's Spring Interns for marketing and public relations. Executive Director Nina Van Erk introduced members of the Executive Committee and took attendance as follows:

Officers & Staff

President Kathryn Faber
First Vice President Ronald Black
Second Vice President Patrick Pizzarelli
Past President Patrick Calnon
Executive Director Nina Van Erk
Assistant Director Walter Eaton
Assistant Director Lloyd Mott
Assistant Director Joe Altieri
Counsel Renee James
Secretary Sandra Schanck

Past Presidents

Karen Lopez
Richard McGuire
Thad Mularz
Robert Munn
Jim Tolle
Dean Veenhof

Section Representatives

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

Ex-Officio & Consultants

Carol Rog, Handbook Coordinator
Dick Smith, Modified Co-Coordinator
Patti Murphy, Action on Target Co-Coordinator
Ken Garry, President, NYSAAA
Tom Stewart, NYSCOA

Section Ex. Directors

Greg Ransom (1) Bob Dinse (6)
Doug Kenyon (2) John Gallagher (7)
Paul Harrison, Assoc. Ex. Dir. (3) Carl Normandin (10)
Ben Nelson (4) Ed Cinelli (11)

Section Treasurers

Jim Osborne (9)

Guests

Rise Van Iderstine, Secretary-Section 2
Brian Kaforey, NYSPHSAA Intern
Jennifer Cummings, NYSPHSAA Intern
Mary Milcetic (3)

A **motion to accept** the January 2006 Executive Committee Meeting minutes as written was **approved**.

ORAL AND PRINTED REPORTS WERE PRESENTED BY ASSOCIATION OFFICERS AND STAFF

President Kathy Faber reported she had enjoyed attending several of the State Championships at the end of the Winter season.

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

- **Nick DeCillis**, Executive Committee (11) was inducted into the Suffolk County Hall of Fame.
- **Bob Munn**, Past President-NYSPHSAA Executive Committee, retired Superintendent of the Broadalbin-Perth Central School District, was honored recently when the district named its new gymnasium after him.
- **Closing on 88 Delaware Avenue.** The closing on our former building took place on May 4, 2006.
- **8 Airport Park Boulevard Update.** The move to our new office space was successfully completed on January 31st. A lease agreement for three years with the option to renew for an additional three years with an engineering firm is being negotiated for the rentable space.
- **Assistant Director's Position.** Sixty-nine requests for an application for the Assistant Director's position have been received. As of April 24th, twenty completed applications were received from highly qualified individuals with a variety of experience in the fields of athletics and administration. Preliminary interviews will be scheduled to take place on May 11th and May 16th.
- **NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame.** The 2006 Class of the NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame will be inducted at the August Central Committee meeting on Grand Island in Section VI. The six inductees are Jacqueline Brummer (Athlete), Drake Francescone (Coach), Tom Hall (Coach), Robert Kersch (Official), Michael Messere (Coach) and Paul Weatherup (Official).
- **NFHS Hall of Fame.** Nancy Cole, NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame member and field hockey coach from Section XI will be inducted into the NFHS Hall of Fame this June in Orlando, FL. She is the sixth New York State recipient of this most prestigious award.
- **NFHS Rule Book Increase.**

A **motion to approve** increasing the cost of all rule books by twenty-five (25) cents and scorebooks by \$1.00 effective with the Winter sports season was **carried**. Witkowski/Troy

- **NFHS and T-Mobile.** The NFHS Board of Directors have approved a three year agreement with T-Mobile which provides funding for the NFHS Student Leadership and Coaching Education programs in addition to hosting a national basketball invitational event. The basketball tournament is scheduled to take place during the Christmas holiday week with four boys and four girls basketball teams selected in part from the USA Today Super 25 ranking. The event will be sanctioned by the NFHS and all invitees must be State Association member schools to qualify for participation. The sponsorship also includes a \$10,000 contribution to each State Association.
- **NYS Federation Proposal.**

A **motion to approve** establishing the position of Executive Secretary to the Federation to handle the growing needs of the group in addition to organizing and coordinating all of the Federation tournaments **carried**. DeCillis/Witkowski

- **NCAA Update.** The NCAA has established an Amateurism Clearinghouse for all international and domestic prospective student athletes and transfer student athletes. One of their purposes will be to create competitive equity in the recruiting process for their Division I and II institutions. This will affect all prospects entering Division I or II institutions on or after August 1, 2007. The Amateurism Clearinghouse will begin in late May 2006 and be available on the same web site as the Initial Eligibility Clearinghouse. More information is available at <http://www1.ncaa.org/membership/ach/index>.
- **CSIET Advisory List.** The 2006-2007 CSIET Advisory List is available on the CSIET website, www.csiet.org.
- **Dues Increase for 2006-2007.** A reminder was given that the Association dues will be increasing for the 2006-2007 school year. The basic district fee will be raised by \$50 to \$700 and the per pupil cost will rise .05 to .75 cents per student (over 300) in grades 7-12.

- **Future Meeting Dates –**

August 9-11, 2006 (Wednesday-Friday) @ Holiday Inn – Grand Island

October 30, 2006 (Monday) @ Holiday Inn-Turf, Albany
January 26-27, 2007 (Friday-Saturday) @ The Saratoga, Saratoga
May 4-5, 2007 (Friday-Saturday) @ Holiday Inn-Carrier Circle, Syracuse
August 7-9, 2007 (Tuesday-Thursday) @ Crowne Plaza – Lake Placid

Assistant Director Walter Eaton

- **Financial summaries** for the Fall and Winter season tournaments known to date were included in the meeting folders.
- **Spring 2006 Championships.** AED providers and Emergency Plans confirmation notices will be mailed to Section Executive Directors by May 20, 2006. The first NYSPHSAA Girls Golf State Championship will be a 1 day, 18 hole tournament scheduled at Foxfire Golf Course, Baldwinsville (3) on Monday, June 5. Girls Lacrosse concludes its 3 class, 2 year experiment following their State Championship on June 9-10.
- **2006-07 State Championships/Regionals** updated schedule of known dates/sites were included in the meeting folders.

A **motion to approve** section participation in 2006-07 NYSPHSAA Championships and Regionals as per NYSPHSAA Constitution, Article V, 5 was **carried.** DeCillis/Troy

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

A **motion to approve** the reappointment of Tom Hall as Boys Lacrosse State Coordinator to serve 9/1/06-8/31/11 **carried.** Quimby/Troy

A **motion to approve** the reappointment of Dan Doherty as Girls Outdoor Track/Field State Coordinator to serve 9/1/06-8/31/11 **carried.** Westfall/Scholla

- **State Sports Coordinators.** The State Sports Coordinators will be meeting for an extended group meeting session to fulfill their responsibilities as per the NYSPSHAA Constitution (Article VII, par.1.f.) on Thursday, August 10, 2006 the Annual Meeting at the Holiday Inn, Grand Island. Section input for agenda items is encouraged and may be sent to Walter Eaton prior to the meeting. Due to the need for financial accountability by each Section, State Sports Coordinators have been directed to record attendance in their meeting's minutes.
- **Scholar/Athlete Team Award Program.** The totals for the Winter 2005-06 were 1,570 teams from 458 schools with 16,183 participants. The Spring 2006 deadline to apply for the Scholar/Athlete Team Award is **Friday, May 19, 2006.** The School of Distinction Award applications, in order to be placed on the NYSPHSAA "Academic Honor Roll" are to be completed following the Spring 2006 deadline and must be received no later than **June 30, 2006.** The list of Winter 2006 State Champions and their awards presenters were included in the meeting folders.
- **NYS Federation of Secondary Schools Athletic Association.** The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 9, 2006. On the agenda will be the creation of the Executive Secretary position with operating budget and the basketball site selection process for 2008-2010. Congratulations to Mount Vernon (1) Class AA Boys Basketball team and Peekskill (1) Class A Boys Basketball team, member schools of the NYSPHSAA who were crowned 2006 Boys Basketball Tournament Champions. The 2006 Golf tournament will be held at Carvel CC, Pine Plains and will be held on Sunday, June 11. The tournament champion will receive the Federation's first medalist cup.
- **Officials Coordinating Federation.** Their meeting will be held on Sunday, May 7th at the Holiday Inn-Carrier Circle, Syracuse. An invitation will be extended to both Sections and Officials Organizations to submit input for State Officials Fees/Policies for 2007-08. The NYSPHSAA Fact Finders will be meeting to resolve officials contract impasses in both Sections 7 and 9.

Assistant Director Lloyd Mott

- **Sanctioning.** Sanctioning procedures were reviewed. For more information on proper sanctioning procedures, please go to the NYSPHSAA website, www.nysphsaa.org/html/forms/sancproc.html.
- **Coaching Education Committee.** The committee members met on March 16 at the NYSAAA conference in Saratoga Springs. Trish Kocialski, SED Liaison, handed out the latest copies of approved course outlines. She announced that all agencies offering the coaching courses are listed on the SED website, www.emsc.nysed.gov/cai/pe/coaching.html. The committee has decided to update the Theory and Techniques of Coaching course. Their next meeting is June 21 at the NYSPHSAA office. Schools and coaches are reminded that the text book "Successful Coaching", recommended on each course outline, is listed on the NYSPHSAA Rule Book Order Blank at a reduced rate. The online Coaching

Course agreement with SUNY Cortland is close to being finalized.

- **Coaching Clinics.** The following clinics are scheduled:

Soccer	National Soccer Hall of Fame, Oneonta	May 19, 2006
Volleyball	SUNY Oneonta	June 16, 2006
Wrestling	Cornell University	November 3, 2006

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

- **Winter Championship Programs** showed a net loss of \$4,449.52 mainly due to doubling the size of the wrestling program and significantly increasing the quantity.
- **Championship Media/Broadcasting.** The Association netted \$4,600 for Winter championship television and radio broadcasts. This included a \$950 tape delay broadcast of the wrestling championships by Cablevision. We are currently in discussion with Sportnet New York, the new Mets TV affiliate, to broadcast the boys lacrosse championships at Stony Brook University.
- **Vendor/Souvenir Sales** were reviewed for 2004, 2005 and 2006.
- **Webcasting.** The Association continued efforts in conducting pay-per-listen webcasts this past Winter season. Games were webcast for both the girls and boys basketball tournaments and the effort was successful despite a decrease in listeners compared to the football tournament.
- **Jostens.** A corporate agreement has been finalized for over \$25,000 in-kind for the next three years. In exchange for promoting the "Official Champion Ring" program (available to all student-athletes who win a championship), we will be able to outfit all previous, current and future Hall of Fame inductees (thru 2008) along with officers, past presidents and staff with a Jostens ring or Fossil watch identifying their specific accomplishment or service to the Association.
- **Real Pro Wrestling.** Agreed to a \$1,500 sponsorship which includes signage, program advertising and distribution of flyers and posters to athletes and spectators for the 2006 wrestling championships.
- **Island Rehabilitation.** Agreed to a \$1,500 sponsorship which includes a booth/table set up, signage and program advertising for the 2006 wrestling championships.
- **Verizon Wireless.** Agreed to a \$500 sponsorship that includes setting up a promotional truck, signage, program advertising and distribution of flyers to athletes and spectators for the 2006 track and field championships.
- **Hannaford.** Declined to commit to a \$7,500 sponsorship for three years for the girls basketball tournament.
- **Spring Interns.** Brian Kaforey and Jennifer Cummings are about to successfully complete their internships in the marketing and public relations department of the Association. Both interns were each responsible for a number of tasks in the area of marketing, public relations and sponsorship including developing radio campaigns, writing radio scripts, developing a poster campaign, writing press releases and designing program advertisements.
- **Public Relations/Marketing.** An aggressive television campaign will take place in Central New York on NBC, ABC and UPN in which we will market four championships for a 3-4 week period. A sample television campaign to help recruit officials has been developed and will be presented to the OCF at their May 7th meeting for possible implementation in the Fall.
- **Radio.** The Spring interns helped implement radio campaigns to promote the Spring 2006 championships in baseball, boys & girls lacrosse and softball.
- **Storefront Posters.** The spring interns have engaged in a comprehensive poster campaign in Syracuse, Cortland, Binghamton and Long Island to market softball, boys and girls lacrosse and baseball. Both interns built databases of local businesses and then assisted in designing posters and writing letters before sending out a mailing to over 100 businesses asking merchants to hang posters in their storefronts to promote our tournaments.
- **Press Releases** have been distributed to the media statewide for the following: Hall of Fame inductees' announcement, coaching clinics and Spring tournaments.

Treasurer. Executive Director Nina VanErk reviewed the budget stating that we are doing quite well. She stated we will not meet the expected goal of \$400,000 for our championships because the wrestling tournament didn't do as well this year as they have in the past and our Spring championships typically are not big money makers and are very dependent on the weather. She highlighted the net assets needed to provide for planned uses is now "0" due to the purchase of the new building and that the new tenant will help to defray the costs of the mortgage. A more detailed report will be available at the summer meeting.

Counselor Renee James reported on decisions from several cases.

- **Classification of non-public schools (Section 4).** The decision of the court stated there was no due process or equal protection violations when reclassifying the non-public school. They were afforded all the due process they were entitled to, that is notice of move and the opportunity to be heard. In terms of equal protection, there is no violation because given the ability of a private school to draw from a larger geographic area and the possibility of the school becoming a magnet, there is a rational basis to reclassify the non-public school. The decision is now being appealed to the Appellate Division and the Commissioner of Education.
- **Title IX Claim (Section 3).** The issue is volleyball which is played in the Winter season when the State Championship is held in the Fall violates Title IX. The decision determined there was insufficient evidence to support the claim of allegation in terms of the Section or the State Association stating schools are the ones that make the ultimate decision as to what season they play in, not the State Association nor Section.
- **Bowling (Section 2).** The issue was a girl bowled on a boys team. The Mixed Competition regulation states that she would need to stay on the boys team for the State Championships. She didn't make the Boys State Championships but her total pin count qualified her for the girls All Star team. An Order to Show Cause was issued. In his decision, the judge stated this case was not setting a precedent but allowed the girl to go to the State Championship as a second alternate. This decision is awaiting appeal.
- **NFHS Legal Summit** was held in April in Indianapolis. She stated that throughout the country, classifying of non-public schools continues to be a huge issue.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- **Cheerleading as a Sport.** There was much discussion regarding if cheerleading should be recognized as a sport. The following is each Section's opinion on the issue:
 - Section 1:** Felt there is a need to recognize there are two types of cheerleading and the need to put in place guidelines to regulate the safety issue to reduce risk and liability.
 - Section 2:** Stated they have no rules or regulations although they have some leagues that have some restrictions on what they allow cheerleaders to do at contests. They don't have any Sectional contests.
 - Section 3:** They are not interested in cheerleading as a sport.
 - Section 4:** They are not in favor of cheerleading as a sport although they have leagues that host competitions.
 - Section 5:** They do have Sectional championships for cheerleading. They also have rules and regulations for safety in place. They stated a referendum had been voted down for cheerleading to be considered as a sport.
 - Section 6:** Stated they do have Sectional guidelines to follow. Their leagues and schools establish their own guidelines for what they can and cannot do.
 - Section 7:** They are not interested in cheerleading as a sport although each conference has a conference cheerleading competition at the end of the year.
 - Section 8:** Stated they have mixed feelings. They do not regulate cheerleading but stated it is regulated by an outside group for competition. Most of their schools do recognize it as a sport by giving letters and awards.
 - Section 9:** They are not in favor of cheerleading as a sport although they do have a league that holds a championship, has bylaws and requires its coaches to attend rules interpretation meetings.
 - Section 10:** They have no interest in cheerleading as a sport.
 - Section 11:** They are not interested in cheerleading as a sport. They stated most of their schools recognize it as a sport by giving letters and awards. They have a yearly mandated safety clinic that all cheerleading people have to attend but the cheerleading advisors are not interested in being regulated.

Nina will gather information regarding insurance and summaries from other state associations who have cheerleading as a sport. This will be a discussion item at the Cracker Barrel Session of the August Central Committee meeting. Each group will be charged with coming forth with a proposal for what they would like to see happen.

- **Transfer Rule Proposal.** The following shows each Section's opinion on a proposal for one free transfer

for all students during their high school career so that all schools, public and non-public are under the same standard:

- Section 1: Opposed to the proposal
- Section 2: Opposed to the proposal
- Section 3: Opposed to the proposal
- Section 4: Couldn't comment on the proposal until it was discussed with their schools.
- Section 5: Opposed to the proposal
- Section 6: Opposed to the proposal
- Section 7: Have no problem with the present rule
- Section 8: Have no problem with the present rule.
- Section 9: Opposed to the proposal
- Section 10: Have no problem with the present rule
- Section 11: Have no problem with the present rule.

- **In Modified Sports only, permitting a school to combine with more than one school to form numerous teams in a single sport.** No Section was in favor of permitting this.

SPORT COORDINATOR ISSUES & REPORTS

- **Field Hockey** Bev Hooper, State Coordinator submitted a written proposal from the Field Hockey Committee requesting approval for each Section that plays overtime during their season may determine how they play their overtime as long as they choose from the approved overtime procedures.

A **motion to approve** the approved overtime procedures of 2-ten minute 7v7 sudden victory periods, 1 set of 5 alternating penalty strokes and 1 sudden victory penalty stroke was **carried**. Putney/Smith

- **Boys Volleyball** Judy Hartmann, State Coordinator submitted a written proposal from the Boys Volleyball Committee requesting modifications in two rules to align with girls volleyball.

A **motion to approve** modification of the USA Libero rule (Rule 19.3.1.3) to allow the libero to serve was **carried**. Troy/DiCesare

A **motion to approve** modification of the USA substitution rule (USAV 15.6.b) to allow a maximum of 18 substitutions per set (game) was **carried**. Sammons/Staves

- **Girls Gymnastics** Marbry Gansle, State Coordinator submitted a written proposal from the Girls Gymnastics Committee stating that the gymnastics rules are changed every four years following the Olympics. New York State high school gymnastics follows these rules (USA Gymnastics-Women's Artistic Gymnastics 2005-2009) with modifications for high school. These modifications have been developed by Maria DeCristoforo, Rules Interpreter, and approved by the Girls Gymnastics Committee to promote a successful experience for high school gymnasts. They can be found in the New York State High School Technical Handbook.

A **motion to approve** the new gymnastics rules for the next five years ending in 2011 was **carried**. Greene/Westfall

- **Boys Swim.** Assistant Director Walter Eaton presented the written proposal from the Boys Swimming/Diving Committee requesting a one year delay as a participant in the newly adopted National Federation NO RECALL rule change. **No action** was taken on this proposal.

SECTION CONCERNS AND INPUT

Section 1 asked the Association to consider a 6th class where all non-public schools regardless of size have their own tournament. This issue will be a Cracker Barrel Session discussion item at the Central Committee meeting in August and also placed on the agenda of the Structure and Policy Review Committee.

Section 5 voiced a concern with having to pay for some of their cheerleaders attending a regular competition because they had over the 15 player limit allowed in with no charge while a pep band attending the same competition was allowed in at no charge.

A **motion to approve** to continue the overtime experiment of two 45 minute halves and no overtime periods during the regular season in Boys Soccer in Sections 4, 5, 6 and 11 **carried**. A report on the experiment will be given at the Central Committee meeting in August. Zumbo/Scholla

Section 7 voiced a concern with the ice hockey tournament format. The first round has Section 7 competing with either Section 5 or Section 6 which is at the opposite end of the state. They requested a rotation adjustment be made but it has not happened and asked if the issue could be looked into.

Section 9. A motion to approve a waiver of linespersons in Girls Volleyball during regular season play for Sections 3, 6, 7, 9 and 10 **carried.** Osborne/Witkowski

Section 10. A motion to approve reducing the number of required contests to be eligible for sectional or state competition from 6 to 2 in Girls Golf **carried.** Putney/DeCillis

COMBINING OF SCHOOLS

The following combining school teams have been approved by their respective leagues and sections for the 2006-2007 school year, and are presented for your information. (Eligibility Standard #6)

SECTION	SCHOOLS	SPORT
5	School of the Arts & East HS	Track & Field
	Franklin, Jefferson & Nathaniel Rochester	Softball
	Greece Olympia & Greece Arcadia	Gymnastics
		Swimming-B/G
		Lacrosse-B/G
		Golf-G
	Greece Athena & Greece Odyssey	Track-B/G
		Lacrosse-B/G
		Wrestling
		Golf-G
6	Dr. Freddie Thomas & East HS	Swimming-G
	Dr. Freddie Thomas, East HS & School of the Arts	Soccer-G
	The Harley School & Allendale Columbia School	Football
	Penfield & East Irondequoit	All Sports
		Gymnastics-G
	Hinsdale & Allegany-Limestone	Swimming-G
	Allegany Limestone & Olean	Swimming-B
7	Peru & Saranac	Ice Hockey-B
8	Valley Stream North, Valley Stream South, Valley Stream Central & Valley Stream Memorial	Golf
		Lacrosse-B/G
	Plainview & Old Bethpage	Lacrosse-B (Mod.)
	Division & MacArthur	Spring Track-B/G
		Golf-B/G
		Cross Country-B/G
		Winter Track-B/G
	East Rockaway & Malverne	Soccer-G (V/JV)
		Soccer-B (V)
		Swimming-G
SECTION 8 cont'd	East Meadow & Clarke	Swimming-B/G
	Calhoun, Mepham & Kennedy	Rifle
	Elmont, Floral Park, Carey & Sewanhaka	Tennis-G (V)
	Sewanhaka District	Golf-B
		Swimming-G
	Wrestling (V/JV)	

		Rifle Gymnastics Bowling-B/G
9	Tri-Valley & Fallsburg Roscoe & Livingston Manor	Tennis-B (V) Golf-B/G (V) Track & Field-G (V/Mod.) Baseball
	Roscoe, Livingston Manor, Hyde Park & Rhinebeck	Football (All Levels)
10	Holy Family & Franklin Academy Hermon-DeKalb & Heuvelton Edwards-Knox & Heuvelton Madrid-Waddington & Potsdam Norwood-Norfolk & Colton-Pierrepont Parishville-Hopkinton & Canton Parishville-Hopkinton & St. Lawrence	All Teams except B/G Basketball Lacrosse-G Lacrosse-B Football (Mod.) Football (V, JV) Wrestling Football Ice Hockey Wrestling Outdoor Track-B/G Football Indoor Track-B/G Cross Country-B/G Wrestling (All Levels) Football (JV, Mod.)
	Lisbon & Canton	
	Brushton-Moira & Malone Morristown & Ogdensburg Free Academy	
11	Southampton & Tuckahoe East Islip & Cleary Centereach & Newfield	All Sports (Mod. Level) All Sports (Mod. Level) Cross Country-B/G (V) Gymnastics-G (V) Cross Country-B/G (V) Gymnastics-B/G (V) Swimming-B/G (V) Bowling-B/G (V) Winter Track-B (V) Cross Country-G (V) Field Hockey (V/JV) Gymnastics-G (V) Soccer-G (V) Swimming-B/G (V) Volleyball-B (V/JV) Lacrosse-B (JV9) Lacrosse-G (V/JV)
	Smithtown East & Smithtown West	Field Hockey (V/JV/Mod.) Soccer-B (V/JV/Mod.) Soccer-G (JV/Mod.) Volleyball-G (V/JV/Mod.) Basketball-G (V/JV/Mod.) Baseball (V/JV/Mod.) Softball (V/JV/Mod.)
	Half Hollow Hills East & Half Hollow Hills West	
	Pierson & Bridgehampton	
SECTION	SCHOOLS	SPORT
11 cont'd	Greenport, Southold & Mattituck	Field Hockey (V/JV/Mod.) Lacrosse-B/G (JV/Mod.)
	East Hampton, Bridgehampton & Pierson	Football (V/JV) Bowling-B (V) Wrestling (V/JV) Tennis-B (V/JV/Mod.)

Greenport, Southold, Mattituck & Shelter Island	Football (V/JV/Mod.)
East Hampton, Bridgehampton, Pierson & Springs	Football (Mod.)
Center Moriches & East Moriches	Football (Mod.)
Greenport & Southold	Golf-B
	Soccer-G (V/JV)
	Volleyball-G (V/JV)
	Basketball-G (V/JV)
	Wrestling (Mod.)
	Baseball (V/JV)
	Softball (V/JV)
	Tennis-B (V/JV/Mod.)
Sachem East & Sachem North	Gymnastics-B/G (V)
Hampton Bays & Southampton	Gymnastics-G (V/Mod.)
Ross & Shelter Island	Soccer-B (V)
	Soccer-G (JV)
	Baseball (V/JV/Mod.)
	Soccer-B (JV/Mod.)
	Soccer-G (Mod.)
	Soccer-G (Mod.)
	Lacrosse-B (Mod.)
	Swimming-B/G (V)
	Swimming-B/G (V)
	Swimming-B/G (V)
	Tennis-G (V/JV/Mod.)
	Tennis-B/G (V/Mod.)
	Bowling-B/G (V)
	Winter Track-B/G (V)
	Golf-B (V)
	Lacrosse-B/G (V/JV)
	Track-B/G (V)
	Tennis-G (V/JV)
	Volleyball-B (V/JV/Mod.)
	Tennis-B/G (Mod.)
	Wrestling (V)
	Wrestling (Mod.)
	Gymnastics-G (Mod.)
	Lacrosse-B/G (JV)
	Swimming-B (Mod.)
	Swimming-B (Mod.)
	Track-B (Mod.)
	Track-B/G (V)
Greenport & Shelter Island	
East Hampton, Springs & Montauk	
Central Islip, Brentwood & Commack	
Sayville & Bayport	
Deer Park & North Babylon	
Southold, Shelter Island & Greenport	
Newfield & Centereach	
East Hampton & Bridgehampton	
Nesaquake & Great Hollow	
Mattituck & Greenport	
East Hampton, Bridgehampton, Pierson, Springs & Montauk	
Accompsett, Great Hollow & Nesaquake	
Ross, Shelter Island & Pierson	
Candlewood & West Hollow	
Central Islip & Brentwood	
East Hampton, Bridgehampton & Springs	
Ross & Pierson	

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).

SECTION	DATE	CONTEST
1	03-14-06	Dutchess County Senior Game-Basketball-B
	03-19-06	Section 1 Sr. All-Star Contest-Ice Hockey
	03-25-06	Blue& Gold Hoop Classic-Basketball-B
2	03-12-06	Senior All Star Bowling Challenge
	06-01-06	Section 2 Sr. All-Star Contest-Lacrosse-G

	06-04-06	WAC Senior Softball Game
	06-04-06	Section 2 Sr. All-Star Contest-Softball
	06-05-06	Colonial Council vs. Foothills Council Sr. All-Star Contest-Baseball
	06-10-06	Patroon vs. CHVL Sr. All-Star Contest-Baseball
3	03-08-06	CSC Sr. All-Star Contest-Basketball-G
	06-04-06	OHSL Sr. All-Star Contest-Baseball
	06-12-06	OHSL Sr. All-Star Contest-Lacrosse-G
	06-13-06	Gordon Ohstrom Games-Lacrosse-B
4	06-02-06	IAC Sr. All Star Contest-Softball
	06-12-06	MAC Sr. All-Star Classic – Softball
	06-12-06	MAC Sr. All-Star Classic - Baseball
5	03-14-06	Allegany County Athletic Association Sr. All Star Game-Basketball-B/G
	03-15-06	Steuben County Exceptional Senior Game-Basketball-B/G
	03-18-06	Monroe County Boys & Girls All-Star Game-Basketball
	03-24-06	LCAA Exceptional Senior Basketball Contest-Basketball-B/G
	03-25-06	Greater Rochester High School All-Star Basketball Games-B/G
	06-09-06	Genesee Region League Sr. All-Star Game-Baseball
	06-10-06	Monroe County Softball Sr. All-Star Game
6	02-22-06	WNYWCA Large vs. Small Senior All-Star Meet-Wrestling
	03-10-06	Niagara Orleans/GR Leagues Senior All-Star Contest-Basketball-B/G
	03-25-06	Silver Hoops-Basketball-B
	06-13-06	Cattaraugus County Baseball Sr. All-Star Contest
7	03-14-06	CVAC Boys & Girls Basketball Game

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

Budget Committee. 1st Vice President Ron Black presented the proposed 2006-07 budget and highlighted the following:

- 8.5% increase in revenue is due to an increase in annual membership dues, championship revenue, sports clinics and sponsorship revenue.
- 4% increase in salary & wages to the staff
- Mileage rate increase to \$.40/mile
- 3.3% actual increase in budget

A **motion to approve** the 2006-2007 budget without a tenant was **carried**.

Quimby/Troy

Nominating Committee. Chairman Pat Calnon reported the committee has nominated Mark Ward, Superintendent, Olean City School District and a 5-year Central Committee member, as the Superintendent representative in the officer rotation vacancy of 2nd Vice President.

Modified Committee. Co-Coordinator Dick Smith presented the report.

• **Swimming**

A **motion to approve** an editorial change in the 2006-2008 NYSPHSAA Handbook under Modified Sports Standards-Swimming Game Rule 2 will now read, “*The use of the no-recall false start rule shall not be utilized at the modified level. A swimmer is permitted one false start before disqualification.*” Quimby/DiCesare

- Multi school contests are allowed but have to follow guidelines.
- **Boys Lacrosse**

A **motion to approve** the 2006 high school boys' lacrosse ruling requiring that mouthpieces be any color other than clear or white shall be deferred one year for the modified level of play **carried**. The ruling shall be adopted for the Spring 2007 modified season. Putney/Troy

- Committee meetings for the 2006-2007 school year are Friday, October 13, 2006 – 9:00AM – at the new NYSPHSAA office and Friday, April 27, 2007 – 9:00AM – at the NYSPHSAA office.

Championship Advisory Committee. Assistant Director Walter Eaton presented the report and recommendations of the committee.

A **motion to approve** the recommendation of the CAC to waive the six section policy and implement a 3 man officiating system for all Regional and State Semi/Final contests in Boys Basketball effective 2006-07 as a 2 year experiment was **denied**. Quimby/Scholla

(The votes were cast as follows: Section 1: 1 no; Section 2: 2 yes; Section 3: 2 yes; Section 4: 2 no; Section 5: 2 no; Section 6: 2 yes; Section 7: 2 no; Section 8: 2 no; Section 9: 2 no; Section 10: 2 no; Section 11: 2 no. 15 No/6 Yes)

A **motion to approve** the recommendation of the CAC to accept the classification variation for 2006-07 in Field Hockey **carried**. The cut-off numbers are as follows: Class A: 915 and up; Class B: 914-450; Class C: 449 and down. DeCillis/Smith

A **motion to approve** the recommendation of the CAC that in Girls Swimming/Diving annual adjustments of qualifying standards may be done if needed as a 2 year experiment effective 2006-07 **carried**. DiCesare/Sammons

A **motion to approve** the recommendation of the CAC that in Girls Soccer the reserve official for State Tournament contests be reimbursed for the same meal allowance as given to on-field officials **carried**. (Section 9 voted no). Zumbo/Maney

A **motion to approve** the recommendation of the CAC that in Girls Tennis the Commitment to Compete form be required to participate in the State Championships **carried**. Staves/Smith

A **motion to approve** the recommendation of the CAC that in Girls Volleyball a 2 year experiment using the Saturday/Sunday format would be implemented for the State Championship tournament with a Sunday starting time at 9:00AM, effective 2007-08 **carried**. (Section 9 voted no). Nickerson/Staves

A **motion to approve** the recommendation of the CAC that the Officials Fees/Policies will be reviewed and recommended by the Championship Advisory Committee **carried**. DiCesare/Jones

- The Section Executive Directors and Treasurers have expressed a concern to the CAC regarding selection of officials, especially in the sports of boys basketball and ice hockey, who are neutral. This issue will be a Discussion Item at the Sport Coordinators meeting at the August Central Committee meeting. They will be asked to come up with a standard selection process for all officials in team sports emphasizing eliminating the use of neutral officials for cost reasons.
- The next scheduled meeting of the CAC is July 28, 2006 at 9:00AM at the NYSPHSAA office.

ACTION on TARGET. Patti Murphy presented the report and committee recommendations.

- Excellent feedback has been received on the second year program, "Effective Codes of Conduct". All sections, except Section 2 and Section 5 have scheduled or have had the program presented.
- The Code of Conduct at State Championships was reviewed at their meeting. They would like to add "A coach and/or an athlete will not be allowed to participate without this form completed."
- They have rescinded their request for ineligibility at NYSPHSAA State Tournaments for not attending the mandated workshops. Instead they are requesting that the dates of each Section's workshop be included in the form sent to each Section requesting their meeting dates.

A **motion to approve** the ACTION on TARGET Committee's recommendation to change the NYSPHSAA position statement (pg. 119-NYSPHSAA Handbook) to read as follows, "no coach should use alcohol, tobacco or other drugs before, during or immediately after *or until his/her supervisory duties are completed.*" **carried**. Ryan-Curry/Scholla

- The Planning Committee met on Sunday, March 26, 2006 to work on Year Three, "Coaching Effectiveness" which will be ready for presentation in the Fall of 2006.
- A new logo for ACTION on TARGET has been designed and once approved by the committee, will be presented to the Central Committee for final approval.
- Their website is being updated with the names of the committee members and highlights of the 5 Year Program.
- The next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, October 15, 2006 at 1:00PM in Binghamton.

Safety Committee. Assistant Director Lloyd Mott presented the report.

- Announced they are in the process of applying for a \$45,000 grant to help disseminate information on the new guidelines for concussions.
- An NFHS information statement regarding Methicillin Resistant Staphylococcal Aureus (MRSA) in sports participation was included in the meeting folders.

A **motion to approve** the recommendation of the Wrestling Committee and the Wrestling Advisory Committee to waive the NFHS 1.5% Weight Loss Rule for one year to allow for time to plan implementation **carried.**

Westfall/Jones

A **motion to approve** the recommendation of the Wrestling Committee and the Wrestling Advisory Committee that the weigh-in for the second day of a two day tournament will be on the morning of the second day with a one pound allowance **carried.**

Quimby/Maryjanowski

A **motion to approve** the recommendation of the Wrestling Advisory Committee that the refractometer only be used to test hydration in 2006 **carried.**

DiCesare/Nickerson

A **motion to approve** the recommendation of the Wrestling Advisory Committee that replacing the hand held calipers with the Tanita Scale be postponed for two years (2008-09) so that more data may be gathered **carried.**

Quimby/DiCesare

A **motion to approve** the Wrestling Advisory Committee's recommendation that a wrestler caught cheating on the hydration test will not be assessed that day; but, will have to return another day, pass hydration and be assessed and then be placed at a minimum weight class one class higher than the assessed class as a penalty for cheating be brought back to the Sections for discussion **carried.**

Sammons/Westfall

A **motion to approve** the Safety Committee's recommendation on the use of eye wear protection which meets ASTM Standards in Field Hockey be optional for 2006 and mandated in 2007 be brought back to the Sections for discussion **carried.**

Orticelle/Smith

- The 2006-07 meetings of the Safety Committee are scheduled for Wednesday, October 18, 2006 and Tuesday, May 1, 2007 at 9:00AM at the NYSPHSAA office.

Sportsmanship Committee. Assistant Director Lloyd Mott presented the report.

- Minutes from their meeting held on March 16, 2006 at the NYSAAA Conference in Saratoga Springs were included in the meeting folders.

A **motion to approve** the Yellow Card Accumulation Policy proposed by the Boys Soccer Committee be brought back to the Sections for discussion **carried.**

Osborne/Maney

Handbook Committee. Coordinator Carol Rog presented the report and committee recommendations.

A **motion to approve** the following additional language to Unsportsmanlike Conduct-pg. 71b, line 5 **carried:** *"The contest in which the athlete was disqualified must count in the total maximum number of contests permitted."*

DiCesare/Staves

A **motion to approve** the following additional language to Practice Sessions-pg. 68b, line 4 **carried:** *"A practice session conducted on the same day as a game cannot be counted to meet the minimum practice requirement to be eligible for that day's contest."*

Greene/Troy

A **motion to approve** the re-wording of the coaches sign off in the revised copy of the Code of Conduct-pg. 3, #10 **carried:** *"I understand my responsibilities to my athlete(s) and expectations of my behavior."*

Staves/Greene

A **motion to approve** an editorial change to #30-Transfer-pg. 74, Exemptions to (b) regarding change of address of a divorced family **carried:** *"For athletic eligibility a student must enroll in the public school district or in a private school within that district's boundaries of his/her parent's residency."*

Sammons/Maney

A **motion to approve** the Handbook Committee's recommendation of sending a letter to the Chief School Officer, Athletic Administrator and Section Executive Director of schools who sanction participation in non-sanctioned athletic events notifying them of the violation **carried.**

Quimby/Westfall

- The Handbook Committee reviewed the Classification of Non-public Schools Committee criteria for implementation of their experiment and confirmed that Sections need to review classification and apply any changes in the 2006-2007 school year.
- The Handbook Committee will discuss at their June meeting Section III's proposal of starting the Transfer Rule in the 7th grade because of a concern that the athletes who are selectively classified are being recruited and influenced to transfer.
- The committee felt Athletic Directors should interview students with F1 Visas to determine the level of

the student's athletic competition in comparison to students in our high school programs. The committee felt this should not be applied to students taking a year off from their sport.

- The committee does not recommend any change to the current wording or interpretation of the Combining of Schools regulation found under Bona Fide Student-pg. 58-59, end of NOTE.
- The committee felt no changes are necessary in allowing modified multi-school meets with no championships to be held.
- The next meeting of the Handbook Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, June 21, 2006 at 9:30AM at the NYSPHSAA office.

REPORTS FROM EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS AND CONSULTANTS

State Education Department. Nina VanErk for Trisha Kocialski

- Trish is officially the new "Associate in Physical Education". Her contact information is: Phone: 518-474-5922, Fax: 518-473-4884. Her preferred way of being contacted is by email, pkocials@mail.nysed.gov.
- The list of approved Coaching and First Aid/CPR courses is now on the website, www.emsc.nysed.gov/ciai/physed.html.

NYS Council of Administrators. Tom Stewart

- Announced their President-elect is Mike Salatel, Athletic Director at Geneseo High School.
- Announced there will be no State COA Conference in October.

NYS Athletic Administrators Association. Ken Garry

- Announced their 25th annual conference will be held March 14-17, 2007 at The Saratoga with the theme of "Take Action & Get Results". It will follow the same format as last year with the Leadership courses being held on Wednesday and the Workshops on Thursday and Friday.
- Announced John Pelin will be appointed to the NYSPHSAA Ad hoc Committee on Structure & Policy Review.
- Announced they have established a corporate sponsorship with Athletic IQ, the athletic version of SAT's/ACT's where students are assessed in various motor skills which are standardized and college recruiters have the opportunity to get this information.

A **motion to adjourn** the May 2006 Executive Committee meeting was made at 6:00PM and **carried**.

Lopez/Westfall

Respectfully submitted,

Nina Van Erk
Executive Director

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