



Section IX Athletics

Robert Thabet, Executive Director

Section IX Athletic Council Meeting

Tuesday, March 1, 2011

Orange-Ulster BOCES at 9:30 a.m.

1. Call to Order: Bob Thabet
2. Pledge of Allegiance: Bob Thabet
3. Financial Report: Jim Osborne
4. Review of Meeting Materials – Jim Osborne
5. Approval of January 11, 2011 Minutes
6. NYSPHSAA Report – Highlights from December 5-6, 2010 and December 21, 2010 Meeting
7. Section IX NYSPHSAA Representatives – Roberta Greene and Jim Wolfe – Highlights from January 25, 2011
8. Section IX Budget Line – Jim Osborne (Back from the Leagues)
9. Section IX Wrestling 2011-2012
10. Misidentified Player – Bob Thabet (Back from the Leagues)
11. Cheerleading – Cherie Ramsey
12. Section IX Start Dates for 2011-2012 – Doug Murphy
13. Fiscal Concerns – Bob Thabet
14. Winter Chair Reports:
 - a. Girls Basketball Ken Rubino
 - b. Boys Basketball Fred Ahart
 - c. Ice Hockey Paul Bacsardi
 - d. Girls & Boys Indoor Track Mike White
 - e. Boys Swimming Scott Warner
 - f. Wrestling Jeff Culty
 - g. Gymnastics Lee Ann Digsby
 - h. Nordic Skiing Jon Stern
 - i. Alpine Skiing Janet Carey
 - j. Bowling - Girls Erena O'Brien
 - Bowling – Boys Theresa Eckert
15. Spring Chair Reports:
 - a. Softball Bruce Guyette
 - b. Baseball Dave Onusko
 - c. Boys Golf Dick O'Neill
 - d. Girls Golf Bill Earl
 - e. Girls Lacrosse Wendy Crandell
 - f. Boys Lacrosse Bob Slate
 - g. Boys Tennis Urvashi Gupta
 - Luann McCarthy
 - h. Track & Field Joe Iatauro
 - Eric McLaud
16. Chair Reports:
 - a. Girls & Boys Modified Sports Brian Devincenzi & Helenanne Gillinder
 - b. Safety Janet Carey
 - c. Chemical Health Marco Lanzoni
 - d. Officials Coordinator Dennis Burkett
 - e. Eligibility Fred Ahart
 - f. Sportsmanship Glen Maisch
17. New Business
18. Old Business
19. Adjournment

Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, April 12, 2011 at Wallkill High School at 9:30 a.m.



FEBRUARY 2011 NYSPHSAA OFFICE REPORT

2011 CALENDAR

February 2

Section 2 - 10:00 AM

February 3

Section 7 - 9:30 AM

February 8

Championship Philosophy
10:00 AM

February 10

Cheerleading - 10:30 AM

February 16

Handbook - 10:00 AM

February 18

Section 1 - 8:30 AM

February 19

Wrestling Seeding Committee

March 1

Section 9 - 9:30 AM

March 3

Section 10 - 9:00 AM

March 8

Section 11 - 9:00 AM

Girls Volleyball - 10:00 AM

March 14

Boys Volleyball - 10:00 AM

March 28

Football - 10:30 AM

March 30

Strategic Planning - 10:00 AM

2011 CLINICS

March 4

Baseball - Hall of Fame

March 5

Sports Medicine - Binghamton HS

March 25-26

Track & Field @ Utica Radisson

April 2

Volleyball - Broome CC College

May 13

Cheerleading - Rochester

June 3

Soccer @ Utica

Field of Dreams

BASEBALL

COMPOSITE BATS

FOR A LIST OF APPROVED BATS
FOR THE

2011 SEASON VISIT

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NYSPHSAA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING - January 25, 2011

Back to the Sections For Discussion: (Possible vote in May)

Cross Country - In the State Championship, athletes from each Section will wear their sectional colored t-shirts, providing there is no cost to the individual Section's budget.

Safety Committee - Recommends the safety meeting mandate be required every other year.

Dues Increase for 2011 - 2012: Association dues will increase by \$30.00 per district and \$.03 per student for the 2011-2012 school year. Dues will be \$810 per district and .86 cents per student over 300 in grades 7-12. *Approved 12-21-10*

FUTURE CONSIDERATION

Boys and Girls Tennis - To add the following language to the Tennis Commitment to Compete Form. "Failure to honor your commitment to complete the tournament for reasons other than injury or illness will result in forfeiture from the tournament and ineligibility from next season's NYSPHSAA State Tennis Tournament. This incident will also be reported to the student's school administration."

ANNOUNCEMENTS and REMINDERS

COMMUNITY SERVICE CHALLENGE AWARD - You Can Help Change The World. The NYSPHSAA Community Service Challenge Award was established to encourage students to get involved in their local community and beyond. This program is a great way to do something meaningful for your community and yourself and to gain a sense of accomplishment. Application and program information is available online @ www.nysphsaa.org. Program deadline for Section Award - May 1. Program deadline for NYSPHSAA Award - June 1.

Wrestling: Penalty for exceeding the maximum number of tournaments: Exceeds the maximum 5 bouts limitation in a tournament - individual wrestler penalized, team loses standing in tournament, but other wrestlers individual performances would stand. Exceeds the 6 tournament limitation or the 2 two-day dual meet limitation - the individual would be penalized. Exceeds 20 point limitation - entire team penalized.

Softball: 1. Moving the pitching distance to 43 ft for all high school (9th, JV and Varsity) programs in spring of 2011. 2. Continue to prohibit the use of metal cleats for all levels of play.

Send Us Your Campus News - If you would like to share news and features about what's happening on your school's campus, please email altieri@nysphsaa.org so we can consider publishing it in *Scholastic Athletics*—the Association's quarterly newsletter. Spring deadline is Monday, May 2nd.

2011 WINTER CHAMPIONSHIPS

February 25 & 26 - Wrestling @ Times Union Center (2)

March 1 & 2 - Skiing @ Lake Placid (7)

March 4 & 5 - Boys Swimming @ Nassau Aquatic Center (8)

March 5 - Girls Gymnastics @ Shaker High School (2)

March 5 - Indoor Track and Field @ Cornell (4)

March 5 - Rifle @ West Point (9)

March 5 & 6 - Bowling @ Strike n Spare (3)

March 12 - Boys Volleyball Regional @ Hudson HS (2)

March 12 & 13 - Ice Hockey @ Utica Auditorium (3)

March 18 - 20 - Girls Basketball @ Hudson Valley Community College (2)

March 18 - 20 - Boys Basketball @ Glens Fall Civic Center (2)

March 25 - 27 - NY Federation Basketball @ Times Union Center (2)

Tickets On Sale for All NYSPHSAA Tournaments

Tickets for the 2011 NYSPHSAA State Championship events can be purchased on line at www.nysphsaa.org and select Price Chopper outlets.

**NEW YORK STATE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL
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JANUARY 25, 2011

Via Conference Call

Items for Section IX:

I. Sport Coordinators

- ✓ Cross Country – uniforms for Championships – back to sections
- ✓ Field Hockey – Championship Date Adjustment – approved championship date adjustment from Friday – Saturday format to Saturday – Sunday format
- ✓ Girls Soccer – Championship Date Adjustment – approved championship date adjustment from Friday – Saturday format to Saturday – Sunday format
- ✓ Boys Soccer – Site Selection 2012, 2013, 2014 – approved Middletown site for 2012, 13, 14
- ✓ Boys Lacrosse – Assistant Coordinator Tim Mullins approved
- ✓ NFHS has postponed implementation of the soccer uniform change until 2013.
- ✓ NYSPHSAA has approved a waiver of the implementation of uniform rule change in Field Hockey until 2013.
- ✓ Executive Director approved to grant individual schools a uniform waiver when compliance is related to budget.

II. Championship Philosophy Committee Report

Committee had January meeting cancelled due to weather, will meet in February. Committee hopes to present in May and vote in August.

III. Cheerleading

Discussion took place on draft proposal. Committee meets again in February, presentations coming to Section level this spring, Possible may or August vote may be coming.

IV. Other


- ✓ NFHS Bat Rule Notification – flier has been sent to all AD's regarding the new restrictions.
- ✓ Scholar / Athlete Team Award – winter deadline is Friday, march 4, 2011.
- ✓ Community Service Challenge – application is on website and deadline for submission to Section is May 1st.
- ✓ Sanctioning Reminder – NOTICE OF ENTRY must be filled out, form is on NYSPHSAA website and details can be found there.
- ✓ Sports Medicine Clinic – being offered at Binghamton HS on March 5, 2011.
- ✓ NYSHPERD – new 5th year eligibility for IEP students – NYS Regulations are being developed.
- ✓ Athletics vs. PE Issue – athlete MUST be assessed and MUST meet Commencement level of Learning Standards for PE in order to be approved for this option. New Regulations are also being developed by SED on this; in the future NYS PE Profile assessment will be required for each athlete, or, possibly a local assessment. If local assessment tool is utilized, tool will need SED approval.



Section IX Athletics

Robert Thabet, Executive Director

TO: Section IX Athletic Council

FROM: James M. Osborne, Section IX Secretary 

RE: Wrestling Section IX Format

DATE: December 30, 2010

In looking at the BEDS numbers for 2011-2012, the Rondout School District will become a Division II Wrestling school due to a drop in enrollment. The Section IX alignment format would need to be changed. In looking at Division I they will have 15 schools and Division II will have 14 schools therefore I propose the following to the Section IX Athletic Council.

Division I-A

NFA
Monroe-Woodbury
Kingston
Middletown
Pine Bush
Valley Central
Warwick

Division I-B

Washingtonville
Minisink
Wallkill
Cornwall
Monticello
Port Jervis
Saugerties
Goshen

Division II-A

Red Hook
Rondout
New Paltz
Highland
Onteora
Ellenville
Millbrook

Division II-B

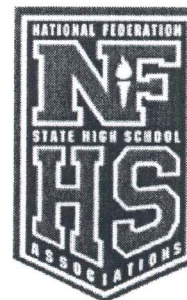
Liberty
Burke
Tuxedo
Tri-Valley
Fallsburg
Chester
Eldred

The schools would wrestle once in their Division (6 points DI-A, DII-A&B/7 points DI-B, with 1-2 crossovers). The schools could still get the maximum points (12) from Tournaments or seek Dual matches for their other points.

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BASEBALL BAT



NFHS Rule Change

Effective January 2011

Hollow composite bats are illegal for use
in both practice and competition.



*** CHECK YOUR BAT ***

Some hollow composite bats are permitted:
Must meet BESR and ABI

OR

Must meet BBCOR Standard

For a list of compliant bats, go to www.nysphsaa.org
or www.nfhs.org, keyword BAT



Effective January 2012

All hollow composite bats must meet BBCOR standards.





To: Executive Committee
From: Cheerleading Sub-Committee
Re: Recommendations to Cheerleading Committee
Date: January 25, 2011

This document is a synopsis of the recommendations that are going to the Cheerleading Committee. These recommendations will be presented to the full Cheerleading Committee at their next meeting and a final recommendation will be presented to the Executive Committee. The Cheerleading Sub-Committee has met four times from December 21, 2010 to January 18, 2011.

Sport Specific Rule Book – The sub-committee is recommending the NFHS Spirit Rule Book be the sport specific rule book for competitive cheerleading.

Competitive Season/Championship – The sub-committee is recommending a fall competitive season and a winter competitive season with a State Championship Competition at the end of the winter season. A team would have to compete in the winter season to be eligible for the State Championship Competition, unless the section elected to participate only in the Fall season.

Minimum/Maximum number of contests for competitive cheerleading – The recommendation is for teams to participate in a minimum of 3 competitions during the regular season to be eligible for post season competition. The sub-committee also recommends that a maximum of 12 competitions during the regular season be allowed for each team.

Classifications/Size of Squads – The subcommittee recommends that the sport of cheerleading be classified into three classifications, with the cut-off numbers being established based on the number of programs participating in the sport. The committee also recommends that each class be divided up into two divisions. The small division would consist of 5 to 19 athletes. The large division would consist of 20 to 35 athletes.





Qualifying for State Competition – The subcommittee recommends that each section would be allowed to send one representative from their section in each class and in each division to a single State Championship Competition. The maximum number of teams involved in the State Competition would be 66 teams.

Judges – The sub-committee recommends that judges complete a training course that is based on the NFHS Spirit Rule Book. A list of acceptable courses would be approved by the NYSPHSAA Executive Committee based on a recommendation from the Cheerleading Committee. The sub-committee also recommends that for all regular season competition, a minimum of 3 judges plus 1 safety judge be used by all member schools. A common score sheet and rubric would be established for all competitions.

Time of Routine – The sub-committee recommends that all routines are a maximum of 2:30 (2 minutes 30 seconds) with a portion of cheer and dance included in the routine.



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OFFICE OF INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS
James M. Osborne
O.C.I.A.A. Athletic Coordinator

TO: Section IX Athletic Council
FROM: Mr. Doug Murphy, OCIAA President *DM*
DATE: February 15, 2011
RE: Start Dates for 2011-2012

FALL

Monday, August 15, 2011
Monday, August 22, 2011

Football – JV and Varsity levels
All Other Sports – Freshmen, JV and Varsity levels

WINTER

Tuesday, November 1, 2011
Monday, November 14, 2011

Ice Hockey
All Sports – Freshmen, JV, Varsity levels

SPRING

Monday, March 12, 2012

All Sports – JV, Varsity levels

DM/al

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January 28, 2011

Mr. Robert Thabet
Section IX Executive Director
Orange-Ulster BOCES
53 Gibson Road,
Goshen, NY 10924

Dear Bob,

I would like to inform the Section that our Awards Committee, at our January Section IX meeting, has nominated Robert Siracuse, Director of Athletics at Goshen Central School, to be the recipient of the NYSAAA Athletic Administrator Award for the 2010-2011 school year. Bob has been a coach and athletic director for 12 years. Bob has also served on the Section IX council, Chair for Non Public School Classification Committee, Boy's Tennis Chairman, OCIAA League Executive Committee, Scheduling Committee, and Council of Administrators Catskill Zone for a number of years.

In addition, the Section IX Awards Committee has named Mr. John Wright of Mount Saint Mary's College to be the 2010-2011 Section IX recipient of the Community Service Award. John's hard work, dedication and leadership for the students of the Section cannot be overstated. He is truly deserving of this honor.

The Section IX Awards Committee has named Joseph Zanetti, Superintendent of Tuxedo Schools, as the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award for his continued contributions to the athletes of the Section. Finally, I would like to info you that Danuta Kliti from Pine Bush is the recipient of the Judith A. Martens Secretarial Award.

Bob and Joe will be receiving their awards at the NYSAAA state convention in early Spring of 2011. The Awards Committee felt it was import that the Section members be made aware of their accomplishments.

Sincerely,



Kelly Doherty
Chairperson
Section IX Awards Committee

NEW YORK STATE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

APPLICATION FOR NYSPHSAA FRIEND and NEIGHBOR STATUS

1. Applying school must complete all information in Part I.
2. Applying school should forward application with \$200 administrative fee, payable to NYSPHSAA, to the Section Athletic Council for approval.
3. Section Athletic Council approves application in Part II.
4. Section Athletic Council forwards approved application with fee to NYSPHSAA Executive Director for NYSPHSAA Executive Committee approval at the next scheduled meeting.

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PART I School Information: to be completed by the applying school, then forwarded to the Section Athletic Council for approval.

Name of School Harrison Christian School
Athletic Director Gary Falk
Address 1790 Route 211 East
City/State/Zip Middletown, NY 10940
Phone (845) 692-5353 E-Mail Address hcs.bas@earthlink.net
SED Code (12 digit #) _____

*** Enrollment:**

Boys Girls

Grade 7	_____	_____
Grade 8	_____	_____
Grade 9	_____	_____
Grade 10	_____	_____
Grade 11	_____	_____
Grade 12	_____	_____
Sec. UNG	_____	_____

* Please use figures from the October BEDS of the current school year.

- ☒ Signature of Chief School Officer represents an agreement that the applying school will follow all NYS Education Department regulations and New York State Public High School Athletic Association bylaws, eligibility standards and sports standards when participating with NYSPHSAA schools.
- ☒ Our school is registered with the NY State Education Department.

[Signature]
(Signature of Chief School Officer)

PART II Section Approval: TO BE COMPLETED BY SECTION ATHLETIC COUNCIL

TO: NYSPHSAA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Section _____ Athletic Council has approved on _____ (date)
(1-11)

_____ for Section Friend and Neighbor status.

(name of applying school)

We request approval for this school to become a Friend and Neighbor of the NYSPHSAA, Inc.

Section President

Section Secretary/Director

NOTE: The Section Athletic Council will forward approved application with fee to the NYSPHSAA Executive Director for Executive Committee approval at their next scheduled meeting.

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REASONS TO STAY WITH NCAA RULES FOR GIRLS AND BOYS VOLLEYBALL:

1. Boys' volleyball moved to NCAA rules to be equitable with girls' volleyball and reduce the number of modifications to 7. Five of these modifications are procedural and 2 are playing rules.
2. To avoid moving backwards we would need 30 modifications of the NFHS rules in addition to the present modifications.
3. No expenses would be reduced or saved by making the switch from NCAA to NFHS rules. In fact if modifications were not approved schools may incur costs to purchase different uniforms, to purchase libero shirts rather than continue using bibs, and to make the center line solid.
4. The NYSPHSAA Girls and Boys Volleyball Committees have compared the NFHS rules with the USA and NCAA rules at least every 2 years and neither committee has ever recommended moving to NFHS rules.
5. We received the following from Sally Wise, President of the New York State Certified Volleyball Officials Assoc. "Several officials in New York State officiate both college and high school programs. I recently spoke with several board chairs and many of the 26 chapters will lose approximately 45% of their officials. Fingerprinting costs have cut the numbers recently as well. This is a big concern of mine."
6. We acknowledge that the Girls and Boys Volleyball Committees makes recommendations and that the Executive Committee makes the final decision on playing rules. If you force the use of NFHS Volleyball Rules you will be damaging your rapport with your coaches.

Patti Perone
Girls Volleyball Coordinator

Judy Hartmann
Boys Volleyball Coordinator

SECTION 9 EXCEPTIONAL SENIOR GAME

Game Date: Nov. 20, 2011
Nov. 21, 2011 Snow Date

Possible Sites: Kingston Dietz Stadium
Newburgh Free Academy

Selection Meeting: 1st Monday after Sectional Finals

- A. Game Coaches- On a rotating basis, A, C/D, B, AA
- B. Players- Nominations by Coaches
- C. Teams- Rosters of 40-45, to be divided geographically and by classification (TBD)

Teams/Coaches in the State Tournament are excluded.

Player Fee: \$75.00. 1st year only. Fees decline each year, until "Game" is self-sustaining

Players would get to keep their game jersey, practice T-Shirt, and receive a Team Photo.

Admission: \$5.00

Player fees and admissions/concession would go to off-set site, game, and uniform costs. (Examples: Referee's, Trainers, Medical Support Services, Security)

Medical/Liability Insurance:
Players/Coaches are covered just as if they were in season, through each individual district.

Equipment:
Player's "home school" Game uniform provided by Exceptional Senior Game

Rules:

Limited offensive, defensive, special team concepts(TBD)
15 minute quarters

Practices:

Each team practices for 1 week prior to game, Tuesday thru Friday, 2 hour maximum.

Practices will be held in the evening to allow athletes to begin participation in Winter Sports

Sites to be determined.

Transportation: Subject to each School District's Policy

Section 9 Committee

Executive Director:

Advisor: Pat D'Aliso MW AA

Bill Bianco-NFA AA

Steve Barone- Middletown AA

Don Clark- Washingtonville AA

Marcus Hughes - Cornwall A

Clinton De Souza - Spackenkill B

Ed Van Curen - Burke C