



Section IX Athletics

Robert Thabet, Executive Director

Section IX Athletic Council Meeting

Tuesday, November 27, 2012

Kuhl's Highland House at 8:30 a.m.

1. Section IX Athletics Sports Chairperson and Support Personnel Recognition
2. Call to Order: Bob Thabet
3. Pledge of Allegiance: Bob Thabet
4. Financial Report: Jim Osborne
5. Review of Meeting Materials – Jim Osborne
6. Approval of October 2, 2012 Minutes
7. Robert Zayas – Executive Director, NYSPHSAA
8. Section IX NYSPHSAA Representatives – Roberta Greene and Jim Wolfe
9. Harmony Christian School Application for Friend & Neighbor – Back from the Leagues
10. Section IX Budget for 2013-2014
11. Fall Chair Reports:
 - a. Cross Country Jim Glover and Steve Loturco
 - b. Football Dave Coates and Glen Maisch
 - c. Boys Soccer Pete Ferguson
 - d. Girls Soccer Diane Wanser
 - e. Field Hockey C.J. Bull-Knuth
 - f. Girls Swimming Pat Ryan
 - g. Girls Tennis Selina DeCicco
 - h. Volleyball Toni Woody
12. Winter Chair Reports
 - a. Girls Basketball
 - 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 Ski Jon Stern
 - i. Alpine Ski Janet Carey
 - j. Bowling – Girls Erena O'Brien
 - Bowling – Boys Theresa Eckert
13. Chair Reports:
 - a. Girls & Boys Modified Sports Steve Boucher & Helenanne Gillinder
 - b. Safety Janet Carey
 - c. Chemical Health Marco Lanzoni
 - d. Officials Coordinator Dennis Burkett
 - e. Eligibility Fred Ahart
 - f. Sportsmanship – Coaches Code of Conduct Glen Maisch
14. New Business
15. Old Business
16. Adjournment

Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, January 8, 2013 at Marlboro Intermediate School at 9:30 a.m.

DIRECTIONS TO KUHLMAN'S HIGHLAND HOUSE

512 Highland Avenue
Middletown, New York

FROM ROUTE 17 WEST:

Take Exit 120. Make a right turn onto Rt. 211. Proceed to first traffic light. Make left onto Tower Drive. Follow until you reach a stop sign. Make a left onto Silverlake Scotchtown Drive. Go to first traffic light. Make a right. Go 1 ½ miles. Kuhlman's will be on your left.

FROM ROUTE 17 EAST:

Take Exit 120E. Make a right turn onto Rt. 211. Proceed to your second traffic light. Make left onto Tower Drive. Follow until you reach a stop sign. Make a left onto Silverlake Scotchtown Drive. Go to first traffic light. Make a right. Go 1 ½ miles. Kuhlman's will be on your left.

FROM INTERSTATE 84:

Take Exit 4W onto Route 17 West. (Follow directions from 17 West.)

FROM I-87/NYS THRUWAY NORTH:

NYS Thruway to Exit 16 (Harriman). Proceed after toll onto Route 17 West. (Continue to follow Route 17 West directions.)

FROM I-87/NYS THRUWAY SOUTH:

NYS Thruway to Exit 17 (Newburgh). Follow signs to 84 West. Take Exit 4W onto Route 17 West. (Follow Route 17 West directions.)

FROM PALISADES PARKWAY:

Palisades Parkway North. Bear left to Exit 18, follow Route 6 to end onto 17 West. (Continue to follow Route 17 West directions.)

NYSPHSAA Executive Committee Meeting
October 21-22, 2012

Executive Director – Robert Zayas

A. Combining of Teams Ad Hoc Committee:

The 1st meeting will be held via teleconference and will be scheduled for the first week of November. Section IX needs to discuss before January 29, 2013 NYSPHSAA vote.

B. Cheerleading Regional Invitational:

Cheerleading Booklet has been released.

East Invitational is January 26, 2013 at Arlington High School (Section 1)

West Invitational is March 9, 2013 at Rochester Institute of Technology (Section 5)

Schools may enter only one (1) event.

<http://www.nysphsaa.org/forms/pdf/Cheerleading.pdf>

C. 2013-2014 Uniformed Calendar:

NYSPHSAA 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.

D. NYSPHSAA Website Re-Design

NYSPHSAA is currently in the process of evaluating potential website re-design.

E. Broadcast Rights Partner:

The NYSPHSAA is currently in the process of negotiating for the Association's State Championship broadcast rights.

Robert Stulmaker, Assistant Director

A. Schedule of 2012-2013 sites enclosed.

B. Scholar /Athlete Team Award – the fall 2012 deadline is Friday, December 7, 2012.

C. Community Service Challenge

a. May 1, 2013 - Deadline for schools to submit projects to the Section.

b. June 1, 2013 – Deadline for the Section to submit their winner to NYSPHSAA.

Todd Nelson – Assistant Director

A. 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. The reports will be received at the beginning of January. (Need BEDS information from school districts.)

B. Professional Development for Coaches

NYSPHSAA will be preparing sport presentations for online video library.

C. Championship Tournaments – It is imperative that schools cooperate by having their team pictures and rosters submitted to the NYSPHSAA Office. Rosters can be submitted to NYSPHSAA at www.nysphsaa.org and pictures emailed to pictures@nysphsaa.org

D. NYSED Physical Education, Health Education & Athletics Update October 2012 (Enclosed)

E. Current Selection/Classification waiver requests

- The process will remain the same this year until further notice.
- Dignity for all Students Act (Now in effect)

Handbook Committee:

A. 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, clarity has become an issue for those seeking guidance and/or relief under this rule.

Mrs. Renee James will be working on drafting the rule in a more organized manner; content is not intended to change.

B. The Handbook Committee is requesting that the Transfer Committee look at 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.

C. Other Discussion Items:

Foreign Exchange /International Students /Transgender Policy

Participation – as currently defined in the Handbook on page 90. Is it being consistently applied throughout the State?

D. Motions for consideration:

By-laws and Eligibility Standards #3, page 94, Modified Program #13 Promotion (2) page 136.

Safety Committee

A. Concussion Management – NYSPHSAA has developed and distributed to all members the 2nd edition of the Concussion Management “Invisible Injury” DVD.

B. Section Uniforms and Wrestling Championship

The Safety Committee would recommend allowing section uniforms to be worn at the NYSPHSAA Wrestling Championship.

Modified Athletics (report enclosed)

A. Wrestling Weight Class Variances

B. Editorial Changes to the NYSPHSAA Handbook

C. Cross Country – Distance

Action Items for next meeting.

D. Motion:

“With Sectional/League approval, the modified program fall season starting date will be the 4th Monday of August.”

E. Selection Classification – The SED is redoing Selection Classification, a job still in progress. It is likely that the new guidelines will not be in effect until the fall of 2013.

Sportsmanship

Survey coming out regarding the Sportsmanship Promotion Program. The Sportsmanship Brochure is available on-line at www.nysphsaa.org

Hazing webinar can be found on www.nysphsaa.org Creating a Safe and Respectful Environment. The NFHS has released free courses to help coaches and administrators educate themselves on the dangers of inappropriate, harassing and abusive behavior.

NYSAAA (report enclosed)

Waiver Requests – Alpine/Nordic Skiing, Gymnastics and Indoor Track



Uniformed Calendar Proposal

EXAMPLE

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Legend:

NYSPHSAA Committee Meetings (i.e. Handbook, Modified, Safety, Sportsmanship, Sport Coordinators, etc).

Section Committee Meetings

Section Athletic Council Meetings

Executive/ Central Committee Meeting

2012-2013 NYSPHSAA Championship Dates/Sites

FALL 2012

G. Tennis	Nov. 3, 4, 5.....	Tri-City Tennis Center, Latham (2)
B/G X-Country.....	Nov. 10.....	Elma Meadows, Elma (6)
G. Swimming/Diving.....	Nov. 16-17	Ithaca College (4)
Football East Semi-Finals	Nov. 16-17	Dietz Stadium, Kingston (9)
Football West Semi-Finals	Nov. 16-17	Sahlen's Stadium, Rochester (5)
Federation X-Country	Nov. 17.....	Bowdoin Park, Wappingers Falls (1)
B. Volleyball.....	Nov. 17-18	Civic Center, Glens Falls (2)
G. Soccer.....	Nov. 17-18	SUNY Cortland/Homer/Tompkins CCC/Cortland HS (3)
Field Hockey	Nov. 17-18	Cicero-North Syracuse HS, Cicero (3)
G. Volleyball	Nov. 17-18	Civic Center, Glens Falls (2)
B. Soccer.....	Nov. 17-18	Middletown HS (9)
Football	Nov. 23-25	Carrier Dome, Syracuse (3)

WINTER 2012-2013

Wrestling.....	Feb. 22-23.....	Times Union Center, Albany (2)
B/G Skiing	Feb. 25-26.....	Bristol Mountain, Canandaigua (5)
B. Swimming/Diving.....	March 1-2	Webster-Schroeder HS, Webster (5)
B/G Ind. Track	March 2.....	Barton Hall, Cornell Univ., Ithaca (4)
Rifle (Regional).....	March 2.....	USMA, West Point (9)
G. Gymnastics.....	March 2.....	Smithtown East HS, St. James (11)
B. Volleyball (Reg.)	March 2.....	Section 2
B/G Bowling	March 2-3	Strike N Spare Lanes, Syracuse (3)
Ice Hockey	March 9-10	Utica Memorial Auditorium (3)
G. Basketball.....	March 15-17	Hudson Valley CC, Troy (2)
B. Basketball.....	March 15-17	Civic Center, Glens Falls (2)
B/G Federation Basketball.....	March 22-24	Times Union Center, Albany (2)

SPRING 2013

B. Tennis	May 30-31, June 1	USTA Complex, Flushing (NYC)
B. Golf	June 1, 2, 3.....	Cornell Univ., Ithaca (4)
B. Lacrosse East Semi-Finals	June 5.....	Marist College, Poughkeepsie (1)
B. Lacrosse West Semi-Finals	June 5.....	St. John Fisher, Pittsford (5)
B/G T&F	June 7-8.....	Middletown HS (9)
G. Lacrosse	June 7-8.....	SUNY Cortland (3)
G. Golf	June 7-9.....	SUNY Delhi (4)
B. Lacrosse.....	June 8.....	St. John Fisher, Pittsford (5)
Baseball.....	June 8.....	Binghamton (4)
Softball.....	June 8.....	Adirondack Sport Complex, Queensbury (2)
Federation Golf	June 9.....	Bethpage State Park, Farmingdale (8)



FUTURE DATES/SITES as of 10/21/12

FALL		2013-14	2014-15
G. Tennis	Date	Nov. 2-4	Nov. 1-3
	Site	Tri-City Tennis Center, Latham (2)	Tri-City Tennis Center, Latham (2)
B/G X-Country	Date	Nov. 9	Nov. 8
	Site	Queensbury	Section 10
G. Volleyball	Date	Nov. 16-17	Nov. 15-16
	Site	Glens Falls CC (2)	Glens Falls CC (2)
B. Soccer	Date	Nov. 16-17	Nov. 15-16
	Site	Middletown HS (9)	
G. Soccer	Date	Nov. 16-17	Nov. 15-16
	Site	SUNY Cortland/Homer/TCCC/Cortland	HS (3)
Field Hockey	Date	Nov. 16-17	Nov. 15-16
	Site	Cicero-No. Syracuse HS (3)	
G. Swimming	Date	Nov. 22-23	Nov. 21-22
	Site	Ithaca College (4)	
Football	Date	Nov. 29 - Dec. 1	Nov. 28-30
	Site	Carrier Dome (3)	
B. Volleyball	Date	Nov. 16-17	Nov. 15-16
	Site	Glens Falls Civic Center (2)	
WINTER		2013-14	2014-15
Skiing	Date	Feb. 24-25	Feb. 23-24
	Site	TBA	
G. Gymnastics	Date	March 1	Feb. 28
	Site	TBA	
Wrestling	Date	Feb. 28 - March 1	Feb. 27-28
	Site	Times Union Center, Albany (2)	Times Union Center, Albany (2)
B. Swimming	Date	Feb. 28 - Mar. 1	March 6-7
	Site	Ithaca College (4)	
B/G Bowling	Date	March 8-9	March 7-8
	Site	TBA	
B/G Ind. Track	Date	March 8	March 7
	Site	Cornell Univ. (4)	
Ice Hockey	Date	March 15-16	March 14-15
	Site	Utica Memorial Auditorium (3)	
G. Basketball	Date	March 21-23	March 20-22
	Site	HVCC (2)	HVCC (2)
B. Basketball	Date	March 21-23	March 20-22
	Site	Glens Falls Civic Center (2)	Glens Falls Civic Center (2)
Rifle (Regional)	Date	March 8	March 7
	Site		
B. Volleyball (Reg.)	Date	March 8	March 7
	Site	Section 3	
SPRING		2013-14	2014-15
B. Tennis	Date	May 29-31	May 28-30
	Site	USTA Complex (NYC)	
B. Golf	Date	May 31, June 1-2	May 30-31, June 1
	Site	Cornell Univ.	
B/G T&F	Date	June 6-7	June 5-6
	Site	Cicero-North Syracuse HS (3)	
G. Lacrosse	Date	June 6-7	June 5-6
	Site	SUNY Cortland (3)	
B. Lacrosse	Date	June 7	June 6
	Site		
Baseball	Date	June 7	June 6
	Site	Binghamton (4)	Binghamton (4)
Softball	Date	June 7	June 6
	Site		
G. Golf	Date	June 6-8	June 5-7
	Site		

**NYSED PHYSICAL EDUCATION, HEALTH EDUCATION and ATHLETICS UPDATE
October 2012**

1. INTRODUCTION

2. GUIDELINES FOR CONCUSSION MANAGEMENT

- See the following web site:
<http://www.p12.nysed.gov/ciai/pe/documents/ConcussionManageGuidelines.pdf>

**3. Guidance for Concussion Management and Awareness Act Highlights
(See handout)**

4. Regents Reform Agenda items:

- Please see: 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/>

- Specific Regents Reform Agenda questions go to Regents Fellows:

**New York State Education Department
89 Washington Avenue
Albany, New York 12234**

Tel. (518) 474-3862

Fax (518) 473-2056

info@engageny.org

- APPR process, including Student Learning Objectives (SLOs), send specific questions to educatoreval@mail.nysed.gov.

5. CURRENT SELECTION/CLASSIFICATION WAIVER REQUESTS

- The process will remain the same this year until further notice.

6. APPLYING TO BE AN APPROVED AGENCY/INSTRUCTOR FOR THE COACHING COURSES.

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

**NYSED PHYSICAL EDUCATION, HEALTH EDUCATION and ATHLETICS UPDATE
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7. DIGNITY for ALL STUDENTS ACT (Now in effect-July 1, 2012):

- a. See Fact Sheet handout
- b. 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:
- c. <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/dignityact/documents/LocalDASAModelPolicyFINAL.pdf>
- d. <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/dignityact/>

8. CYBERBULLYING (Effective July 1, 2013)

- a. See handout
 - Requires Schools to Act When Cyberbullying Occurs
 - Ensures Proper Protocols Are in Place to Deal with Cyberbullying
 - Sets Training Requirements For School Employees to Help Identify and Prevent Cyberbullying

9. PROMOTE CONTINUATION OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND QUALITY PHYSICAL EDUCATION, HEALTH EDUCATION, and ATHLETIC PROGRAMS THROUGHOUT New York State.

10. UPDATES TO COACHING COURSE REQUIREMENTS for FIRST AID/CPR/AED (August 2012-See Handout)

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Physical Education and Health Education Site:

www.emsc.nysed.gov/ciai/pe/ and

<http://www.p12.nysed.gov/ss/schoolhealth/schoolhealtheducation/>

October 2012

To: Modified Athletics Representatives
Section VIII Athletic Council

From:

Re: Fall 2012 Meeting Report
NYSPHSAA Committee for Modified Athletics

The fall meeting of the State Committee for Modified Athletics took place on October 5, 2012 in Latham, New York. A synopsis of the meeting is as follows:

I. Items that will go to the State Executive Committee

A. Wrestling Weight Class Variances

Motion:

“Modified Wrestling Program 2 Game Rule #1 shall be edited as follows:

*1. **Weights.** Weight Class is listed first, variance second: 70-80 lbs.(6 lbs.); 80-90 lbs.(6 lbs.);90-100 lbs.(6 lbs.);100-110 lbs.(6 lbs.);110-120 lbs.(6 lbs.); 120-130 lbs.(6 lbs.);130-140 lbs.(6 lbs);140-150 lbs.(6 lbs.);150-160 lbs.(6 lbs.); heavier weights(6 lbs.).*

Variance: The variance listed above permits 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. (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.”

Approved 15-0. This item must be passed by the State Safety Committee first.

B. Editorial Changes (also to be given to the State Handbook Committee)

Motion:

“The following editorial changes will be made in the handbook:

Badminton Game Rules (NYSPHSAA handbook, page 142)

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) matches per day, provided that every individual eligible player plays once before any other player plays twice.

Tennis Game Rules (NYSPHSAA handbook, page 153)

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.

Cross-Country (NYSPHSAA handbook, page 144)

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 1-1/2 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 sectional Athletic Council."

Approved 15-0.

II. Discussion Items for Next Meeting

None at this time.

III. Action Item for Next Meeting: Our input is requested on the following:

Motion:

"With sectional/league approval, the modified program fall season starting date will be the 4th Monday of August."

Do we wish to use this fall season starting date?

IV. Information Items

1. Baseball/Softball Substitutions

During the Spring 2012 meeting, Brad Dates of Section III distributed a concept to replace the game rules of substitutions for baseball and softball with a line-up card which allows all players to be listed on the card in a designated batting order. This provides any of the players listed with a slot to hit when that slot occurs. Any of the players listed in each batting slot will be in a defensive position each inning. (Sample attached)

Modified baseball sport coordinator Steve Nolan and softball sport coordinator Micki Bedlington noted the benefits of this plan: it is helpful with managing large squads; athletes know their positions and parents know when their children will play; if done well, it is in line with modified philosophy and maximizes participation; it allows coaches to use "weaker" players and gives those athletes experience and inclusion; the offensive batting order is locked and rules

exploitation is minimized, and it softens runaway game scores. Since use of the concept is permitted with sectional/league approval, we are not required to use it.

At the current time, Brad Dates and modified softball sport coordinator Micki Bedlington are developing a clean sample line-up sheet, and defining the directions for implementation by modified baseball and softball coaches. When all of the information/paperwork is ready, it will be distributed to us via e-mail. We are in need of your input and vote. In January 2013, there will be an e-mail vote of the Modified Committee sectional representatives on this item. If the item passes, it will be sent to the Executive Committee as an Action Item. Implementation in Spring 2013 may be possible.

Do we wish to use this plan in our section?

2. Selection Classification

The State Education Department is redoing Selection/Classification, a job still in progress. It is likely that the new guidelines will not be in effect until the fall of 2013.

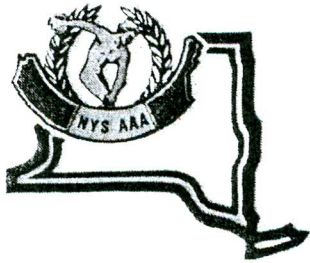
3. Need for Modified Gymnastics and Tennis Sports Coordinators. We continue to be in need of a NYS modified sport coordinator for girls' gymnastics, and a boys' and girls' tennis sport coordinator. If you have interest in filling one of these roles, please let us know; your participation on the State Committee would be welcome!

Remaining NYSPHSAA Modified Committee Meeting for 2012-2013

The spring meeting of the Modified Committee will take place on:

Friday, April 12, 2013 9:30 AM

The meeting will take place at the NYSPHSAA office in Latham, NY.



NEW YORK STATE

ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATORS' ASSOCIATION

REPORT TO THE NYSPHSAA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – October 2012

NYSAAA

- The NIAAA and NYSAAA 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 (Allegheny-Limestone -6) will receive one year complimentary membership in both NIAAA & NYSAAA.
- **IMPORTANT:** 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.**
- NYSAAA is proud to have two of our own receiving major recognition in San Antonio at the National Athletic Directors' Conference in December. Congratulations to one of our founding fathers, Otis Sennett of Baldwinsville, NY (also a former Section III Executive Director). It has been announced by the NIAAA that Otis will be the third inductee from New York to enter the fourth class of the **NIAAA Hall of Fame** in December of 2012. Otis was one of the "original eight" athletic directors to form the NYSAAA. He served as the unofficial "Executive Director" before we had that position. He organized and ran the first several conferences. The Otis Sennett Award of Excellence is given each year by the NYSAAA in his honor. It has also been announced that Dennis Fries, CMAA will be the recipient of the NIAAA Award of Merit, their highest award. Dennis has been a past national and state association president and continues to lead the Monroe County League in the Rochester area after retirement from Irondequoit. The induction ceremony and award ceremony will be held at the National Conference Banquet in San Antonio, TX on Tuesday evening.
- The NYSAAA is on schedule to implement its own **Hall of Fame** at the 2014 state conference. Nomination forms and information will be posted on our website for downloads. The first class will be inducted at the Dave Martens Awards Luncheon in March of 2014.
- NYSAAA has a new on-line "**Logo Shop**" for clothing and accessories. The prices are great and the selection and quality is impressive, with the capability of designing your own, by making a variety of choices. Go to www.MyLocker.net and search for **NYSAAA in Lake Luzerne, NY**, which brings up our site. The NYSAAA gets a percentage of all purchases to help support its activities.

- Check out the fall schedule for NIAAA Leadership Training Webinars on our website www.nysaaa.org
- NYSAAA 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 is on our website.
- **CONFERENCE:** Once again, our conference planning team is working diligently on preparing another outstanding **state athletic directors' conference to be held in Saratoga Springs, NY on March 13-15, 2013**. We are bringing in some outstanding national level speakers from throughout the country for our general sessions and workshops. We will offer at least six Leadership Training Courses again as a pre-conference experience, along with certification programs. We continue to make improvements and refinements to our conference format based on the feedback we receive from attendees and exhibitors. Look for a more **improved format** of our conference program highlights, workshops, and registration materials on our website. Last year we shortened the conference by one night, so that it will finish up on Friday afternoon rather than Saturday morning, and thus, save people having to stay over another night. We had also made some other significant changes in the format of the conference, beginning with LTI, and including switching the Awards Banquet to Thursday, and the Awards Luncheon to Friday (noon). This year, in addition to the opening Exhibit Hall Festival, we will also be offering **three breaks on Thursday in the Exhibit Hall** with food and refreshments, beginning with donuts and coffee in the morning, a light lunch at noon, and an ice cream social in the closing afternoon session.

NIAAA

- The Annual NIAAA/NFHS Athletic Directors Conference to be held in **San Antonio, TX** on December 14-19, 2012. 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 Safe Sport Zone After School Safety Program - www.safesportszone.com
- The mission of Safe Sport Zone is to provide a safer environment for after-school events. Over 95 percent 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 the national organizations, the NIAAA, the NFHS, and ESPN RISE are asking schools to identify all participants who enter high school events.
- *"The system prevents unwanted individuals from attending the event. Most importantly, it can help curb disruptive behavior at no cost to the school. This is endorsed by NIAAA & NYSAAA"*



NYSPHSAA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

October 21-22, 2012

NEW BUSINESS

(Approval, Denial, Back to the Sections for Discussion, No Action, etc.)

Minutes

- Approved** ♦ **MINUTES – August 2012** - Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the minutes of the August 2012 Central Committee.

From the Executive Director's Report

- Approved** ♦ **RETROACTIVE WAIVER** – Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to approve retroactive waiver for Section 7 girls gymnastics for the reduction in contests from 6-4.

- Approved** ♦ **WAIVER REDUCTION OF CONTESTS** - Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to approve waiver for Section 7 reduction in the number of required contests for Boys and Girls Indoor Track from 6-4.

- Approved** ♦ **WAIVER REDUCTION OF CONTESTS** - Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to approve waiver for Section 7 reduction in the number of required contests for Boys and Girls Ski from 6-4.

- Tabled** ♦ **2014 SUMMER MEETING DATES** - Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the 2014 Summer Meeting date of July 29 - 31 Tuesday – Thursday -OR- August 5 - 7 Tuesday - Thursday in Lake Placid.

From Assistant Director Bob Stulmaker's Report

- Approved** ♦ **2013 RIFLE REGIONALS** - Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to approve West Point (9) for the 2013 Rifle Regionals.

- Denied** ♦ **SPORT COORDINATORS** - Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to approve a team sport coordinator and an individual sport coordinator to attend Executive/Central Committee meetings.

Handbook Committee

- Approved** ♦ **BYLAWS AND ELIGIBILITY STANDARDS, #3 I. – PAGE 94-** Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to approve "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 rule or rules of the NYSPHSAA....."

- Approved** ♦ **MODIFIED PROGRAM, #13 PROMOTION, (2) – PAGE 136** - Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to approve "Ninth grade contestants promoted at the end of their modified seasons should practice with the varsity team and are limited to post **season** contests."

Modified Committee

- Approved** ♦ **MODIFIED WRESTLING WEIGHT CLASS VARIANCES:** Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the wrestling modified 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. (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.

- Approved** ♦ **BADMINTON GAME RULES** - Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to approve 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) matches per day, provided that every individual eligible player plays once before any other

player plays twice and Delete Game Rule #3 "A player may either play singles or doubles, but cannot play both in any one interschool contest."

Approved

- ♦ **TENNIS GAME RULES** - Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to approve 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 badminton (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 and Delete Game Rule #4 "A player may either play singles or doubles, but cannot play both in any one interschool contest."

Section Issues

**Postponed
to Jan. 29, 2013**

- ♦ **SECTION I REQUEST** – Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to approve January 2009 fiscal reductions (12) remain in effect for the next four years. (noting that some have been modified since its inception, -three meetings, into four with a conference call meeting, the championship advisory resolved their issues and the safety meeting was changed to once every two years).

Combing of Teams Ad Hoc Committee:

Thank you for a productive meeting this morning regarding the combining of teams.

As discussed, please review the following thoughts with your section in advance of our next meeting at **10:00 AM on Wednesday, Dec. 12.**

- The goal of combining teams is to provide opportunities for students to participate.
- When two schools combine, the school with the lower enrollment will have X% of their BEDS numbers added to the school with the higher enrollment. The percentage is dependent upon the associations "5 sport classification cut off numbers."
 - Class AA= 50%
 - Class A= 40%
 - Class B= 30%
 - Class C= 20%
 - Class D=10%

***EXAMPLES:**

A) Richfield Springs (Class D- 135 classification number) wants to merge with Cherry Valley-Springfield (Class D- 128 classification number) in the sport of baseball. Richfield Springs would have 12.8 (13) students added to their classification number for a total of 148; Richfield Springs/ Cherry Valley-Springfield would remain in Class D for post-season.

B) Briarcliff (Class B- 446 classification number) wants to merge with Putnam Valley (Class B- 474 classification number) in the sport of basketball. Putnam Valley would have 133.8 (134) students added to their enrollment for classification purposes; moving the Putnam/ Briarcliff basketball team to class A with a 613 classification number.

- Mergers must be submitted before the season begins.
- Schools would have 5 practices at the beginning of the season to de-merge their programs.
- Schools will not have an opportunity to appeal their classification number as a result of a merger.

If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know.

I truly believe that a graduated escalator of percent, dependent upon the schools "5 Sport classification cut off number" could solve a lot of the issues and provide our smallest schools with an opportunity to allow their students to participate.

Thank you.

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**New York State Public High School Athletic Association
Central Committee Meeting – November 2, 2012**

Cheerleading Committee – Outside Agency/Interstate Contests

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA Executive Director and Todd Nelson, NYSPHSA Assistant Director

Proposal:

Consider changing the language on page 1 of the Cheerleading Booklet under By-Laws and Eligibility Standards for Outside Agency and Interstate Contests to read ***“Future evaluation as the sport evolves”***.

Rationale:

The current regulations for Outside Agency and Interstate Contests require the section, NYSPHSAA, or the NFHS to sanction or approve any event that is co-sponsored by an outside agency. Currently, the NFHS, NYSPHSAA, or the sections do not officially approve or sanction these events. Many of our schools do attend events that are sponsored by an outside agency and not co-sponsored by a member school. If they did attend a similar event this year, they would be ineligible to compete in any of the two NYSPHSAA Invitational Events. As the sport evolves and is recognized by SED and the NYSPHSAA as a sport, our Outside Agency and Interstate Contest regulations would be followed by all member schools.

Budget Impact:

If schools are not eligible to attend our invitational event because they have participated in an unapproved or non sanctioned event, this could have a negative effect on our Cheerleading budget due to lack of participation.

Notes:

The Cheerleading Committee’s desire for this first year was to regulate our invitational event and allow schools to continue to make decisions they felt were best for their cheerleading program, when considering other events. As the sport evolves into a recognized sport by SED, member schools will have to be compliant with all NYSPHSAA regulations.

Attachments:

Page 1 of Cheerleading Booklet.

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INTRODUCTION: The NYSPHSAA's 2012-2013 Cheerleading Program booklet has been designed to assist school personnel, athletic administrators and coaches in understanding and complying with all rules and regulations. It is not intended to serve as a substitute for the NYSPHSAA Handbook or NFHS Spirit Rulebook. Please refer to the NYSPHSAA 2012-2014 Handbook for all other eligibility standards and the NFHS Spirit Rulebook for competition related rules.

TRADITIONAL CHEER: The NYSPHSAA recommends that schools and cheerleading squads not lose sight of the initial purpose and mission of traditional cheerleading. Traditional cheerleading squads have important roles and are responsible to foster school spirit, promote positive sportsmanship and work with the local school for community service projects. Member schools are encouraged to maintain a balance between competitive cheerleading and traditional cheerleading.

COMPETITIVE CHEER: The NYSPHSAA has acknowledged the evolution of cheerleading over the last two decades. Recognizing the athleticism involved in competitive cheer, the NYSPHSAA has recommended to the NYSED that Competitive Cheer be recognized as a sport.

COACHING REQUIREMENTS: For participation in the NYSPHSAA Invitational event, the NYSPHSAA requires all coaches/advisors to complete the following courses prior to coaching: First Aid for Coaches, CPR, the AACCA Safety Course, and the CDC "Youth Sports Concussion" Course.

BY-LAWS AND ELIGIBILITY STANDARDS: Schools wishing to compete in the NYSPHSAA Invitational will be required to comply with the following regulations. The existing NYSPHSAA By-Laws and Eligibility Standards, as outlined in the 2012-2014 NYSPHSAA Handbook will be used for cheerleading. Cheerleading would be further defined by the addition of the following criteria.

Amateur.....	Existing NYSPHSAA regulation
Assumed Name.....	Existing NYSPHSAA regulation
College.....	Existing NYSPHSAA regulation
Foreign Exchange/International Student.....	Existing NYSPHSAA regulation
Penalties.....	Existing NYSPHSAA regulation
Outside Agency.....	Existing NYSPHSAA regulation
Practice.....	15/13 Stunt or Tumble and 10/8 Ground Activities
Professional Tryouts.....	Existing NYSPHSAA regulation
Recruitment & Undue Influence.....	Existing NYSPHSAA regulation
Scrimmage.....	Not needed at this time
Interstate Contests.....	Existing NYSPHSAA regulation
National Olympic Team.....	Existing NYSPHSAA regulation
Senior All Star Contests	Future Evaluation as the sport evolves
Sportsmanship	Existing NYSPHSAA regulation
Transfer.....	Existing NYSPHSAA regulation
Jewelry Rule.....	NFHS Rule will be enforced
Number of Contests.....	Not defined at this time
Nights Rest.....	One night rest
Limitations Per Day.....	One (1) Competitive and One (1) Traditional Event Per Day

COMPETITIVE CHEER SPORT STANDARDS: Competitive Cheer would be further defined by the addition of the following criteria.

Spirit Standards.....	NFHS Rules
Competition Standards.....	Routine Length - 2 minutes and 30 seconds. Must include both Cheer and Dance.
Judges and Officials.....	Minimum of three (3) Judges and one (1) Safety Judge
Classifications:	
Small Squad.....	A minimum of 5 and a maximum of 12 competitors
Medium Squad.....	A minimum of 13 and a maximum of 20 competitors
Large Squad.....	A minimum of 21 and a maximum of 35 competitors
Coed Squad.....	A minimum of 12 and a maximum of 24 competitors
State Invitational.....	Winter Season

COMMISSIONER'S REGULATIONS: The New York State Department of Education has been encouraged to incorporate cheerleading, both competitive cheer and traditional cheer, where appropriate, into Part 135.4 of Commissioner's Regulations. For the 2012 -2013 NYSPHSAA Cheerleading Invitational all competitors and coaches must meet the following criteria.

Age and Grade.....	Existing NYSED regulation
Bona Fide Student.....	Existing NYSED regulation