



SECTION IX ATHLETICS

Robert Thabet, Executive Director

Section IX Athletic Council Meeting
Minutes of Meeting
Kuhl's Highland House
Tuesday, November 27, 2012

1. Section IX Athletics Sports Chairperson and Support Personnel Recognition
Welcome and Introduction – Robert Thabet, Executive Director
Pledge of Allegiance
Breakfast
Presentation of Awards – Robert Thabet, John Landro and Dennis Burkett
Closing Remarks – Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA Executive Director
2. Call to order – Bob Thabet
All Athletic Council Members were present except:
Donald Andrews and David Bernsley
3. Pledge of Allegiance – Bob Thabet
4. Financial Report – Jim Osborne
Motion to approve by Dennis Burkett, 2nd by Ray Castellani. All in favor. Motion carried.
5. Review of Meeting Materials – Jim Osborne
 - A. NYSPHSAA Executive Committee Meeting Highlights
 - B. 2013-2014 Uniformed Calendar
 - C. 2012-2013 NYSPHSAA Championship Dates/Sites
 - D. Scholar-Athlete Team Award – Friday, December 7, 2012
 - E. NYSED Physical Education Health Education & Athletics Update
 - F. Modified Athletics Report
 - G. NYSAAA Report
 - H. NYSAAA Action Items – Approved/Denied/Tabled
 - I. Combining of Teams – Ad hoc Committee – Back to the Leagues
 - J. Harmony Christian School request o join as a Friend and Neighbor
 - K. Section IX Budget – Back to the Leagues
 - L. Cheerleading – Action Item
 - M. NYSPHSAA Outside Agency Application
6. Approval of October 2, 2012 Minutes
Motion to approve by John Landro, 2nd by Tim Bult. All in favor. Motion carried.

7. NYSPHSAA: Robert J. Zayas, Executive Director of NYSPHSAA
Mr. Zayas reported he attended many of the NYSPHSAA State Championships. He applauded the efforts of all the committees and volunteers. Mr. Zayas is looking to broaden the “Branding Rights” of NYSPHSAA. He reviewed the NYSPHSAA news, update on the website and technology and cheerleading.
8. Section IX NYSPHSAA Representatives – Roberta Greene and Jim Wolfe
Scholar-Athlete Team Award application due December 7, 2012. Review of Section I request to approve the January 2009 fiscal reductions.

Motion by Doug Murphy, 2nd by John Landro, to approve the continuation of the cost savings previously approved by NYSPHSAA. All in favor. Motion carried.

Ms. Greene and Mr. Wolfe will vote to continue the fiscal reductions

9. Harmony Christian School Application for Friend & Neighbor – Back from the Leagues.
Doug Murphy, OCIAA President, reported on his meeting with Gary Falk, Athletic Director and Rose Morrone, Assistant Athletic Director regarding coaching certification.
10. Section IX Budget for 2013-2014 – Back to the Leagues
11. Fall Chair Reports:
 - a. Cross Country – Jim Glover and Steve Loturco
Report will be on-line. Congratulations to our NYSPHSAA Champions.
 - b. Football – Dave Coates and Glen Maisch
Review of the Sectional winners.
AA – Pine Bush A – Cornwall B – Marlboro C – O’Neill D – Chester
Dave and Glen thanked all the school districts and committee members for working so hard.

Exceptional Senior Report – Charles Chatham reported the weather and football was great. Almost 90 players were selected to participate with 25 coaches involved. Special thanks to Newburgh and sponsors of this event.
 - c. Boys Soccer – Pete Ferguson
Thank you to Dave Coates and the Middletown School District. Sectional winners were:
AA – Washingtonville A – New Paltz B – Spackenkill C – Rhinebeck
D – Webutuck
 - d. Girls Soccer – Diane Wanser
Thank you to the Middletown School District and Dave Coates. Also to the Committee for their hard work and dedication.
Sectional Champions were:
AA – Washingtonville A – Cornwall B – Spackenkill C – Seward
D – Livingston Manor

Regional Champions: AA – Washingtonville A – Cornwall
NYSPHSAA Champion – Washingtonville

- e. Field Hockey – C.J. Bull-Knuth
Final Report on-line
Sectional Champions were:
Class A – Kingston B – Rondout Valley C – Pine Plains
 - f. Girls Swimming – Pat Ryan
Report is on-line.
 - g. Girls Tennis – Selina DeCicco
Written report submitted.
 - h. Volleyball – Toni Woody
Written report submitted congratulations to Section Class Winners.
AA – Pine Bush A – Cornwall B – Marlboro C – Millbrook D - Coleman
John A. Coleman played in the Regional Finals. Millbrook played in the
NYSPHSAA Final Four.
12. Winter Chair Reports:
- a. Girls Basketball – Steve Boucher
Report is on-line.
 - b. Boys Basketball – Fred Ahart
Report is on-line.
 - c. Ice Hockey – Paul Bacsardi
No report.
 - d. Girls/Boys Indoor Track – Mike White
Section IX – February 8, 2013 – B Meet February 9, 2012 – A Meet
State Qualifier – February 22 & 23, 2013 for the Boys and Girls
 - e. Boys Swimming – Scott Warner
Dates & Information are on-line at the website.
 - f. Wrestling – Jeff Culty
Handbook is on-line.
 - g. Gymnastics – Lee Ann Digsby
Coaches should review the procedure changes and safety regulations.
February 6, 2013 at F.D.R. Section IX Championship
March 1-2, 2013 on Long Island for the NYSPHSAA Championship
 - h. Nordic Ski – Jon Stern
No report.

- i. Alpine Ski – Janet Carey
No report.
- j. Bowling – Girls – Erena O’Brien
Bowling – Boys – Theresa Eckert
Report submitted.
- k. Cheerleading – Mrs. Cherie Ramsey
Mrs. Ramsey reported on the East – West competition that NYSPHSAA was sponsoring. The information and details are on-line.

Action Item: 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”.

Motion to approve by Doug Murphy, 2nd by Dennis Burkett. All in favor. Motion carried.

13. Chair Reports:

- a. Girls & Boys Modified Sports – Steve Boucher & Helenanne Gillinder
Information needs to go Back to the Leagues for discussion.
 - 1. Start date for Modified Football
 - 2. Review of the re-entry rule for Baseball
 Wrestling weight variance is approved.
- a. Safety – Janet Carey – No report at this time.
- b. Chemical Health – Marco Lanzoni – No report at this time.
- c. Officials Coordinator – Dennis Burkett – No report at this time.
- d. Eligibility – Fred Ahart
The Committee will be meeting at the conclusion of the Section IX Meeting.
- e. Sportsmanship – Glen Maisch
Review of the Sportsmanship Award with an April 15, 2013 deadline.

14. New Business

Combining of Teams Ad Hoc Committee: Mr. William Hecht

The Committee met and established its goal “to provide opportunities for students to participate.” The Committee submitted:

- 1. Enrollment percentages
- 2. Date for mergers to be submitted
- 3. Number of practices
- 4. Appeal process regarding classification number
- 5. To de-merge their programs

The Committee will meet again on December 12, 2012. Information regarding the combining of teams should go Back to the Leagues for discussion.

Ms. Jolene Porter, Section IX Awards Committee, informed the Athletic Council:

- Mrs. Mary Borriello will be the recipient of the NYSAAA Athletic Administrator Award for 2012-2013.
- Middletown City School District will be the recipient of the Community Service Award.
- Mr. Jim Wolfe will be the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award.
- Mrs. Diane Cascarino from Valley Central will be the recipient of the Judith A. Martens Secretarial Award.

Mr. Ron Montalto reported that Monroe-Woodbury is in need of an Athletic Trainer.

Mr. Chris Mayo reported on the redesign of the Section IX website, varsity basketball rosters and Wrestling Division II schedule.

Motion by Doug Murphy, 2nd by Mrs. Greene, to approve the reduction of contests from 6 to 4 for Nordic and Alpine Skiing, Indoor Track and Gymnastics. All in favor. Motion carried.

Request for Outside Agency Approval application submitted by Marco Lanzoni, Spackenkill. The event Officials vs. Cancer High School Boys Basketball Tournament on January 19-20, 2013 at SUNY New Paltz. Motion to be approved was based on:

- A. Insurance Certificate issued before the contests took place naming Section IX as the additional insured.
- B. Report to the Athletic Council on the profit donated to the American Cancer Society.

Motion was made by Dennis Burkett, 2nd by Toni Woody. All in favor. Motion carried.

15. Old Business
None reported.

16. Adjournment
Motion to adjourn by Dennis Burkett, 2nd by Toni Woody. All in favor. Motion carried.

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

Respectfully submitted,

James M. Osborne

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Section IX Athletics

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