



# Section IX Athletics

Gregory Ransom, Executive Director

## Section IX Athletic Council Meeting

Tuesday, January 5, 2016

Orange-Ulster BOCES, Carl Onken Conference Room at 9:30 am

1. Call to Order: Greg Ransom
2. Pledge of Allegiance: Greg Ransom
3. Review of Meeting Materials – Jim Osborne
4. Approval of November 24, 2015 Minutes
5. Financial Report: Jim Osborne
6. Section IX NYSPHSAA Representatives – Roberta Greene and Jim Wolfe
7. NYSPHSAA Office Report
8. Combining of Teams – Greg Ransom
  
9. Back from the Leagues
  - a. Baseball Chairperson
  - b. Boys & Girls Lacrosse 4<sup>th</sup> Classification
  - c. Revision to Rule 22 “Practice Session”
  - d. 2016-2017 Section IX Budget
  - e. Cross Country – 5 Classes (Quantity vs. Quality)
  - f. Cross Country – Bidding Process
  - g. Cheerleading – NYSPHSAA Championship
  - Modified Sports:
    - h. Proposed changes in Modified Starting Weeks
    - i. Proposed change in Field Hockey – Aerial Ball
    - j. Use of 3 point shot in Modified Boys and Girls Basketball
    - k. Proposal to reduce required number of practice days
  - Softball
    - l. NYSPHSAA schools will follow the ASA non-approved certification stamped bat beginning with the 2016 season
    - m. The penalty for using an altered bat is the player is called out and ejected from the game, resulting in a one game unsportsmanlike penalty
  
10. Winter Chair Reports:

a. Basketball – Boys	Fred Ahart
b. Basketball – Girls	Steve Boucher
c. Ice Hockey	Frank Allessandrino
d. Alpine Skiing	Janet Carey
e. Nordic Skiing	Nick Mancuso
f. Boys Swimming	Scott Warner
g. Winter Track	Mike White
h. Wrestling	Jeff Culty
i. Bowling	Theresa Eckert and Erena O’Brien
j. Gymnastics	Lee Ann Pazoga
k. Cheerleading	Cherie Ramsey
  
11. Chair Reports:

a. Girls & Boys Modified Sports	Jeremy Weber & Michelle Henn
b. Safety	Janet Carey
c. Chemical Health	Marco Lanzoni
d. Eligibility	Fred Ahart
e. Officials Coordinator	Dennis Burkett
f. Sportsmanship	Glen Maisch
  
12. New Business
13. Old Business
14. Adjournment  
Next Meeting Date:  
Tuesday, March 15, 2016 at John A. Coleman Catholic High School at 9:30 a.m.

# MEETING REPORT

**Meeting: Championship Philosophy Committee Mtg.**

**Date: Thursday, December 3, 2015 (NYSPHSAA) @ 10:00 AM**

## **Topics Discussed:**

- Review of the current philosophy (May 2011)
- Goals/ Objectives for committee meeting
- Review of national survey
- Consideration of questions

## **Attendees:**

- I- Karen Peterson
- 2- Dr. Timothy Mundell
- III- Scott Sugar
- IV- Mike Andrew
- V- Ed Stores
- VI- Jim Graczyk
- VII- Joe Staves
- VIII- John Piropato
- IX- Greg Ransom
- X- Mark Wilson
- XI- Lisa Lally
- Steve Broadwell- NYSPHSAA President
- Jim Osborne- NYSPHSAA Vice President
- Paul Harrica- NYSPHSAA 2nd Vice President
- Eileen Troy- NYSPHSAA Past President
- Robert Zayas- NYSPHSAA Executive Director
- Todd Nelson- NYSPHSAA Assistant Director
- Joe Altieri- NYSPHSAA Assistant Director

## **Items Discussion/ Action Taken:**

- Steve Broadwell, NYSPHSAA President, provided opening remarks and brought attention to the questions that he felt needed to be addressed by the committee. Those being:
  - 1) *Do we want expansion of NYSPHSAA State Tournaments?;* 2) *Expansion for "ALL" or "Select" tournaments?;* 3) *Current philosophy working?*
- Jim Osborne, NYSPHSAA Vice President, reviewed the current Championship Philosophy of the NYSPHSAA and provided a brief history of the committee. In August of 2009, the NYSPHSAA President, Patrick Pizzarelli, responded to a number of concerns expressed by the membership regarding NYSPHSAA championship events. For the second time in a 10 year period, an Ad Hoc Championship Philosophy Committee was appointed. The challenge set forth was to review and if needed, revise the current philosophy and guidelines of the NYSPHSAA Championship events.
- Jim Osborne stated that as a result of the football committee recently proposing a sixth classification in the sport of football, Steve Broadwell, convened the Championship Philosophy Committee to review the current philosophy and determine if a sixth classification was warranted.
- Robert Zayas reviewed a national survey of 46 state high school athletic associations; comparing the total number of schools, total number of football schools and the number of classifications offered in specific sports.
- The committee discussed if football is "different" and "if" a sixth classification specifically in the sport of football was warranted. Committee members reviewed the difference in roster sizes in football compared to other sports, discussed the fact that safety and risk minimization is always a concern in the sport of football, the need to address the competitive balance and the strong desire to address the enrollment disparity at the Class AA and D levels.
- Discussion continued with some expressing concern that if football is granted the ability to have an additional classification, other sports would seek the same consideration. Several committee members stated they feel the current philosophy, which was based upon two years of meetings and detailed data analysis, is working and serving the needs of the membership.
- The committee voted unanimously to affirm the current philosophy. There was no support on the committee to consider adding an additional classification in the sport of football.
- The committee reviewed the entire philosophy document and made recommendations for minor changes and revisions to be voted upon by the NYSPHSAA Executive Committee on January 29, 2016. It was agreed upon the committee will meet a minimum of every five years or at the direction of the President.
- Complete minutes will be released in preparation of the January 2016 Executive Committee meeting.





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## Section IX Athletics 2016-2017 Proposed Budget

### EXPENDITURES:

#### SALARIES:

Section IX Executive Director	\$ 36,050.00
Section IX Officials Negotiator / MHAL Coordinator	\$ 50,428.00
Section IX Treasurer/Secretary	\$ 30,257.00
Section IX Eligibility Chairperson	\$ 5,253.00
Social Security/Comp/Unemployment	\$ 10,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 131,988.00</b>

Equipment	\$ 7,048.00
Supplies	\$ 7,000.00
Catering	\$ 3,000.00
Travel/Conference	\$ 7,000.00
Membership	\$ 2,000.00
Audit	\$ 6,000.00
Awards	\$ 15,000.00
Paychex Services	\$ 2,000.00
Section IX Bid Proposal	\$ 6,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 55,048.00</b>

Boy's Sport Programs	\$ 116,000.00
Girl's Sport Programs	\$ 93,500.00

**Expenditure Total \$ 396,536.00**

SPORT	BOYS	GIRLS
Baseball	\$ 7,000.00	
Basketball	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 16,000.00
Cheerleading		\$ 2,500.00
Cross Country	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Field Hockey		\$ 3,000.00
Football	\$ 22,000.00	
Golf	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Gymnastics		\$ 3,000.00
Ice Hockey	\$ 3,000.00	
Lacrosse	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Modified Sports	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Softball		\$ 7,000.00
Skiing Alpine	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Skiing Nordic	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Soccer	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00
Swimming	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
Tennis	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Track & Field	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 13,000.00
Winter Track	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00
Wrestling	\$ 14,000.00	
Volleyball		\$ 8,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 116,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 93,500.00</b>

### INCOME:

Section IX Dues \$225.(per varsity team) x 855 teams	\$ 192,375.00
Section IX Gate Revenue & Time Warner Contract & Sponsors	\$ 176,377.00
Section IX Insurance per school fee \$454. x 46 schools	\$ 20,884.00
NYSAAA-NIAAA Dues per school \$150. x 46 schools	\$ 6,900.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 396,536.00</b>

Section IX	2013-2014		2014-2015		2015-2016	
Dues Charge per varsity team	\$315.00	-1.3%	\$250.00	-20%	\$225.00	-10%
Insurance Charge per District	\$454.00	0.0%	\$454.00	0.0%	\$454.00	0.0%
NYSAAA-NIAA Dues Charge per District	\$150.00	0.0%	\$150.00	0.0%	\$150.00	0.0%

Section IX	2016-2017	
Dues Charge per varsity team	\$225.00	0.0%
Insurance Charge per District	\$454.00	0.0%
NYSAAA-NIAA Dues Charge per District	\$150.00	0.0%



New York State Public High School Athletic Association  
Executive Committee Meeting – October 22, 2015

**PRACTICE SESSION RULE REVISION**

Action Item  
 Discussion/ Information Item

**Presenter:**

Todd Nelson, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director

**Proposal:**

Consider for future approval revisions to Rule 22 “Practice Sessions” as follows:

*Athletes who switch from one sport to another ~~contact/collision or limited contact/impact sport to a strenuous/noncontact or non-strenuous/non-contact sport~~ are permitted to count conditioning practices toward their new sport as follows (excluding bowling, golf and rifle).*

**Rationale:**

Currently, NYSPHSAA does not allow student-athletes to carry over practices when going from a “contact” sport to a “contact” sport other than in our State Championships. This revision would create consistency for all students and sports.

**Proposal Originated:**

Membership questions.

**Budget Impact:**

None.

**Notes:**

The Handbook Committee supports this proposal

**Attachments:**

None.



results by modified football coordinator Steve Nolan; recommendation for adoption of rule changes

- B. Sub-committee will meet to develop recommendations from the modified sections and modified sport coordinators to the Modified Committee and Safety Committee regarding reduction of number of practice days required before modified level scrimmages/games
- C. Georgia McCarthy from Section 11, in collaboration with boys' and girls' modified basketball sport coordinators Steve Hummel and Jim Miller, will design a Survey Monkey document to collect state-wide Middle School and high school coaches' opinions of the use of the 3-point shot in modified boys' and girls' basketball

**IV. Discussion Item for Next Meeting**  
Reduction in Required Practice Days

**V. Action Item for Next Meeting of NYSPHSAA Modified Committee**

**Proposed Changes in Modified Starting Weeks**

Motion:

*"The modified sections may be more restrictive and have the option of establishing their modified sport season starting weeks after the NYSPHSAA starting weeks:*

*The starting week for the modified fall season will be Week 8 .*

*The starting week for the modified winter season will be Week 20.*

*The starting week for the modified spring season will be Week 37. "*

The motion passed 18-0.

**Proposed Change in Fall Season Starting Week for Section 7**

Motion:

*"Section 7 requests a change in their fall season starting week from Week 8 to Week 7. "*

The motion passed 18-0.

**Proposed Field Hockey Rule Change**

Can modified field hockey players play an aerial ball? This will be voted on in the spring for next year.

**VI. Information Items**

1. Post-Season Football Injury Survey Report. Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 9 are participating in the second year of the modified football pilot program during the Fall 2015 season. The cumulative data collected after the first year of the pilot program displayed no increase in the total number of injuries, and consistent numbers in concussions, strains and sprains, fractures, abrasions and contusions, as compared to previous years when the pilot program was not in effect. There were no catastrophic injuries or deaths. When reviewing feedback related to the changes to the rules in modified football, the overall reaction was positive from coaches at both the modified level and the varsity level. All of the coaches and directors who provided feedback felt that the rule changes made a significant positive impact in terms of modified athletes learning the game and being prepared for the next level. In relation to football development, especially at schools with limited numbers of participants, the rule changes were felt to limit injuries due to the increased teaching of fundamentals by coaches. Another factor was the increased involvement of upper level coaches in helping to teach skills needed at upper levels. In

The attached flyer lists the Spalding balls which will be provided for the NYSPHSAA post season. Schools "could" purchase any Spalding ball however they need to realize that the attached balls will be used in the post season.

Let me know if you have any other questions.

Thanks.

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Sport:	Product Number:
Football	72-6758
Volleyball (G)	72-1358
Soccer	64-7929
Basketball (G)	74-7849
Basketball (B)	74-7839
Softball	4H-311Y
Baseball	41-100HS

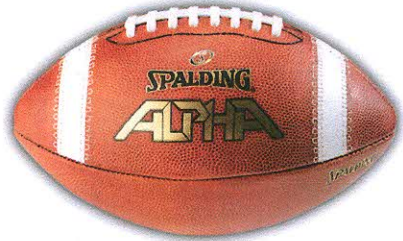




# OFFICIAL BALL LIST

EFFECTIVE FALL 2016

## FOOTBALL



ALPHA Varsity Size  
ITEM 72-6758

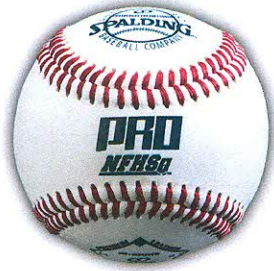
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## SOCCER



TF-5000 Size 5  
ITEM 64-7929

## BASEBALL



Pro Series Baseball  
ITEM 41-100HS



100 Series Baseball  
ITEM 41-106HS

## SOFTBALL



Dudley SB-12 Fast Pitch  
ITEM 4H-311Y

## BASKETBALL

TF-1000 Classic ZK  
Men's Basketball



Size 29.5"  
ITEM 74-7839

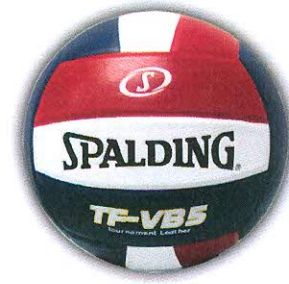
TF-1000 Classic ZK  
Women's Basketball



Size 28.5"  
ITEM 74-7849

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## VOLLEYBALL



VB5  
ITEM 72-1338



VB5  
ITEM 721358

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