



Section IX Athletics

Gregory Ransom, Executive Director

**Section IX Athletic Council Meeting
Tuesday, June 19, 2018
Apple Greens Restaurant, Highland, NY**

Minutes

1. Call to Order: Greg Ransom
All members present except Jim Wolfe, Robbie Greene, Joe Phelan, Rosario Agostaro, and Mike Bellarossa.
2. Pledge of Allegiance: Greg Ransom
3. Approval of May 24, 2018 Minutes: Motion to approve Mike Williams, 2nd by Tim Bult. All in favor. Motion carried.
Greg Ransom presented to Dennis Burkett the Dr. William Moran award. A plaque to be displayed at Marlboro High School was presented to Jonnah O'Donnell, Marlboro Athletic Director.
4. Review of Meeting Materials: Jim Osborne
5. Financial Report: Jim Osborne - Motion to approve Dave Coates, 2nd by Tom Cassata. All in favor. Motion carried.
6. Section IX NYSPHSAA Representatives: Roberta Greene and Jim Wolfe
Voting Items from NYSPHSAA will be discussed with the Athletic Council.
7. NYSPHSAA Office Report: Kristin Jadin
The NOSCAE Stamp approved for Baseballs was discussed/reviewed with NYSPHSAA making a report after the July Central Committee Meeting.
8. Combining of Teams: Tim Bult and Kermit Moyer
Motion by Tim Bult, 2nd by Mike Williams to approve the following for 2018-2019 school year. All in favor. Motion carried.
 - a. Boys and Girls Varsity and Modified Cross Country, Livingston Manor as the Host School, Combining with Roscoe/Downsville
 - b. Varsity Field Hockey, Taconic Hills as the Host School, Combining with GermantownTim Bult also requested that Cheerleading to be added to the Combining of Teams listing.
9. Section IX Personnel – contracts have been prepared for the Section IX Personnel to sign.
10. Cheerleading – NYSPHSAA Cheerleading Committee Proposal for the Central Committee Meeting. The Coaches will meet Thursday, June 21, 2018 at 7:00 pm, at Middletown High School. In attendance will be Chairperson Cherie Walker, Greg Ransom, Sue Lenzian and Jim Osborne. The Sections will offer training for the coaches: Section IX has requested Monroe Woodbury High School for the date of Saturday, September 22, 2018.
11. Back from the Leagues:
 - a. 11 Dive Competition for Girls/Boys Swimming. Pat Ryan and Scott Warner recommended that Section IX stay with the 6 Dive Format for 2018-2019. This will give Dennis, Pat and Scott time to discuss a possible proposal.
 - b. Refer to the Items back from the Leagues. Motion to approve by Dr. Ivan Katz, 2nd by David Coates. Numbers: 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9,10,11,12. All in favor. Motion carried.
#2 NFHS Rules will be discussed after the survey results are presented.
#3 Revisions to the NYSPHSAA Cheerleading Championship had previously been approved by the Athletic Council.
#13 Motion by Dr. Ivan Katz, 2nd by Dave Coates, 0 yes votes, 12 no votes.

12. Spring Chair Reports:

- a. Greg stated it was a challenging season and thanked the Chairpersons for their hard work and dedication. Spring Chair Reports were sent to the Athletic Council.
- b. Boys Lacrosse Chairperson – Bob Slate submitted a letter of resignation. Motion to accept, with regret was made by Tom Cassata, 2nd by John Landro. All in favor. Motion carried.
- c. Softball – Tom Cassata discussed face masks for infielders and metal cleats.

13. Fall Chair Reports:

Deborah Beam – Field Hockey Chairperson reported that Goals need to be solid and Lacrosse goggles are not accepted for use by the Field Hockey Athletes.

David Coates- Football Co-Chairperson reported that a sub-committee was formed to review Disqualification Appeal Pilot Program Guidelines and Proposal. The MHAL and OCIAA tabled discussion on this topic.

Selina DeCicco- Girls Tennis Chairperson – An attachment was sent to the Section IX Athletic Directors to receive a “Tennis Grant Initiative”. The School Districts can apply for the \$1,000.00 grant.

14. Chair Reports:

- a. Girls and Boys Modified Sports: Greg Warren and Michelle Henn- Motion by Dave Coates, 2nd by Marco Lanzoni to approve “Shoes with metal posts or spikes are not permitted, will remain as an equipment rule for those sports that still require the use of only sneakers or molded shoes and molded cleats.” All in favor. Motion carried. The discussion items for Section IX were reviewed by the MHAL and OCIAA Leagues.
- b. Safety: Janet Carey – No Report.
- c. Student Athlete Advisory Committee: Kermit Moyer – No Report
- d. Eligibility: Fred Ahart – No meeting.
- e. Officials Coordinator: Dennis Burkett – No Report
- f. Sportsmanship: Adam Kless – No report.
- g. Unified Sports: Rich Silverstein – No report.

15. New Business:

- a. Greg Ransom thanked Mike Williams, Principal Representative and Superintendent Representative Rosario Agostaro for their service on the Section IX Athletic Council. Seth Turner, Saugerties Superintendent will be the new Ulster County Superintendent Representative. Motion by Mike Williams, 2nd by Sean Michel for Ken Hauck, Minisink Valley, to be appointed Principal Representative to the Section IX Athletic Council. All in favor. Motion carried.
- b. Tim Bult, 2nd by Steve Boucher to approve West Point Middle School and the John A Flannery School, Orange-Ulster BOCES to Friend and Neighbor Status. All in favor. Motion carried.
- c. Jim Osborne proposed new medals and plaques to Section IX. New designs were sent to the Athletic Council and Sports Chairpersons. The Athletic Council reviewed samples. Motion to approve Dr. Ivan Katz, 2nd by Dave Coates. All in favor. Motion carried.
- d. Section III Draft Proposal on the start dates for the Fall, Winter and Spring Season. A sub-committee by NYSPHSAA has been set up with each Section having representation on the Committee. More details to follow.
- e. NFHS contract- The NFHS Network has submitted to the Section IX Athletic Council an agreement to maintain a strategic relationship through a multi-year, multi-platform production and distribution strategy for Section IX Athletics Post-Season High School events for Section IX Athletics sanctioned sports and activities. Motion to approve the contract for 2018-2019, 2019-2020, 2020-2021, 2021-2022, and 2022-2023 was made by Dr. Ivan Katz, 2nd by Tim Bult. All in favor. Motion carried.

16. Old Business:

Mike Kroemer, NYSAAA Representative presented Years of Service Certificates to Athletic Directors.

Motion to adjourn by Mike Williams, 2nd by Hans Sebald. All in favor. Motion carried.

Next Meeting Date:

Tuesday, September 11, 2018 at John A. Coleman H.S at 9:30 am.

Mandated Athletic Director Workshop:

Tuesday, September 18, 2018 at Walkkill High School at 9:30 am.

Respectfully submitted,

James M. Osborne

Section IX Secretary/Treasurer