



# Section IX Athletics

Gregory Ransom, Executive Director

**Section IX Athletics  
Tuesday, November 14, 2017  
Athletic Council Meeting  
John Coleman Catholic High School 9:30 AM**

1. Call to Order: All Members present.
2. Pledge of Allegiance: Greg Ransom
3. BSN Sports: Bert Myers, Rick Koegel and Greg Falk  
The group thanked Section IX Athletics for their continued support. The presentation by BSN centered on how much help and support they could give the Athletic Directors and School Districts.  
Greg Ransom thanked Bert, Rick and Greg for all they do for Section IX Athletics.
4. Approval of October 17, 2017 Minutes:  
Motion to approve by Marco Lanzoni, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dr. Ivan Katz.  
All in favor. Motion carried.
5. Principal Representation Report:  
Robbie Greene reported that the Superintendent Representatives reviewed the applications submitted and they recommend Michael Williams, Fallsburg High School Principal for the vacant Section IX and Central Committee Principal Representative.  
Motion by Rosario Agostaro, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tim Bult.  
All in favor. Motion carried.
6. Review of Meeting Materials: Jim Osborne  
Section IX Agenda, Section IX Budget Information, Proposed Budget 2018-2019, School Enrollment Numbers, 5 Class Classification, Baseball- Regional Rotation and Game Ending Procedure Run Rule.
7. Financial Report: Jim Osborne  
Motion to approve Dave Coates, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Landro.  
All in favor. Motion carried.  
Back to the Leagues: 2018-2019 Proposed Budget
8. Section IX Representatives to NYSPHSAA: Roberta Greene and Jim Wolfe  
Items back from the Leagues needs to go to the February 2018 NYSPHSAA Executive Committee Meeting
9. NYSPHSAA Office Report: Robert Zayas  
Discussion on the Proposed 5 Classification Review of the revisions to the timeline for School Enrollment Numbers. The development of the NYSPHSAA Oversight Committee and Girls Basketball Rules - NCAA vs. NFHS.  
Softball – 3 games in 1 day is approved if it is a bracketed tournament with a Champion declared.  
Back to the Leagues for Review.  
Robert also thanked Dave Coates and the Middletown School District for the great job in Hosting the 2017 Boys Soccer Championship.
10. Combining of Teams: Tim Bult and Kermit Moyer  
Tim Bult reported on the following:  
Livingston Manor (Host) with Roscoe for Modified Girls Basketball  
Roscoe (Host) with Livingston Manor for Varsity Girls Basketball  
Liberty (Host) with Sullivan West and Eldred for Wrestling  
Motion by Tim Bult to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hans Sebald.  
All in favor. Motion carried.

11. Motion by Tim Bult, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve Boucher to approve Section X Proposed change to the 5 classification Cut Off Numbers.  
All in favor. Motion Carried.  
Motion by Rosario Agostaro, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave Coates to approve adding Game-Ending Procedure Run Rule.  
All in favor. Motion carried.  
Motion by Dave Coates, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dr. Ivan Katz to approve the Regional Rotation as submitted by the Baseball Committee.  
No one was in favor. Motion defeated.

12. Fall Chair Reports:

- (a) Cross Country: James Glover and Joe Cahill – No Report
- (b) Football: Dave Coates said congratulations to the Sectional Champions Millbrook and Burke CHS who will participate in the EAST Semi Finals.
- (c) Boys Soccer: Pete Ferguson  
Mount Academy was Section IX, Regional and NYSPHSAA State Co-Champions, Section IX Champions AA - Warwick, A- Goshen, B Rhinebeck, C- SS Seward.  
Thank you to Middletown, Walkill and FDR School Districts for the use of their facilities.
- (d) Girls Soccer: Diane Wanser –written report supplied
- (e) Field Hockey – Debra Beam  
Thank you to Kingston for the use of Dietz Stadium. The Exceptional Senior All Star Game report was submitted. Next year Section 9 will host Section 2 in semi regional. Winners will play against Section 1. The winner will advance to states at Williamsville North.
- (e) Girls Tennis: Selina DeCicco – No report at this time
- (f) Volleyball: Stephen Boucher - Section IX Champions Tuxedo, Millbrook and Kingston advanced to the NYSPHSAA Championship.
- (g) Swimming: Pat Ryan – New Paltz won the 2017 Section IX Championship official meet results are posted on the Section9swim.com website. Two Section IX records were broken 200 IM by Jessica Pryne from Cornwall, 100 Breaststroke by Amber Diehl from FDR. Thank you to Valley Central School District, Bill Miller and Scott Warner for hosting.

13. Winter Chair Reports:

- (a) Boys Basketball: Fred Ahart – Section IX Booklet online
- (b) Girls Basketball: Stephen Boucher – NCAA vs. NFHS Rules will be a poll to the Coaches
- (c) Ice Hockey: Frank Allessandrino – No report
- (d) Alpine Skiing: Janet Carey – No report
- (e) Nordic Skiing: Nick Mancuso – No report
- (f) Boys Swimming: Scott Warner – Schools shadowing has created issues with scoring and Official Fees. There is a need to alleviate scheduling issues. Dennis Burkett stated that maybe the combining of some of the Teams that have small numbers would help. A meeting with the Combining of Teams Committee will be scheduled.
- (g) Indoor Track: Mike White – No report
- (h) Wrestling: Jeff Culty – Weight Certification is currently ongoing.  
January 9, 2018 the Division I Team Tournament will be conducted, with the Finals at Minisink Valley.  
January 10, 2018 the Division II Tournament will be conducted, with the Finals at Minisink Valley.  
The NYSPHSAA Team Tournament will be held in Syracuse, NY on January 27, 2018.  
Division I Section IX Tournament @ Monroe-Woodbury HS on February 9-10, 2018  
Division II Section IX Tournament @ Ulster Community College on February 11, 2018 with a February 12, 2018 Snow Date.
- (i) Bowling: Theresa Eckert and Erena O'Brien – No report
- (j) Cheerleading: Cherie Walker – Report given to the Athletic Council at the October 17, 2017 meeting.  
Sue Lenzian reported on the Cheerleading Scrimmage to be held on December 16, 2017. Information will be distributed to the Coaches at the Rules Interpretations Meeting Thursday, November 16, 2017. The handbook is online.
- (k) Gymnastics: Nicole Plucino- The schedule is being finalized. Section IX Championship is scheduled for February 13, 2018 at FDR High School.

14. Chair Reports:

- (a) Girls and Boys Modified Sports: Greg Warren and Michelle Henn – No report
- (b) Safety: Janet Carey – No report
- (c) Chemical Health: Kermit Moyer – No report
- (d) Eligibility: Fred Ahart – There will be a meeting after the meeting.
- (e) Officials Coordinator: Dennis Burkett- the Section IX contract is finalized
- (f) Sportsmanship: Adam Kless- Adam is looking into the Times Herald Record writing/ reporting on Sportsmanship in Section IX
- (g) Unified Sports: Rich Silverstein – On November 20, 2017 there will be a Conference Call to discuss Basketball. There are 4 schools interested in starting Bowling. Mike Bellarosa reported on the positive effects of Unified Sports. Robert Zayas stated that the Unified Sports program is due to the hard work of Todd Nelson.

15. New Business:

- (a) Girls Lacrosse Chairperson has requested Leslie Alborn be approved as Section IX Girls Lacrosse Co-Chair person. Motion by Tom Cassata, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dr. Ivan Katz.  
All in favor. Motion carried.
- (b) The Section IX Cheerleading Judges Assm. would like to conduct a 2017 Winter Cheerleading Exhibition/Scrimmage (Varsity Teams Only) on Saturday, December 16, 2017.  
Motion to approve by Dr. Ivan Katz, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marco Lanzoni.  
All in favor. Motion carried.
- (c) The BCANY Association would like to conduct a day of basketball games for the American Heart Assn. on January 6, 2018. The games will be played at Mt. St. Mary College.  
Motion by Fred Ahart, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rosario Agostaro.  
All Section IX needed from BCANY was a Certificate of Insurance, it has been received.  
All in favor. Motion carried.
- (d) Greg Ransom began the discussion of getting written reports from the Chairpeople. Dr. Ivan Katz asked the Athletic Council to consider all reports from the Chairpeople to be submitted prior to the meeting. This would insure a written record. Dave Coates stated it was important to get a timeline introduced to the Chairpeople. Jim Wolfe asked the Chairpeople to follow a set format.  
Greg Ransom asked that the topic go Back to the Leagues for discussion. He also stated it would be important for the Chairpeople to still be in attendance to the Meetings.
- (e) Steve Boucher asked about Gold Passes from Section IX @ NYSPHSAA. Steve also asked about standardizing the Sport Handbooks.  
Back to the Leagues
- (f) Mike Kroemer reported on the NYSAAA Scholarship Program and the NYSAAA Conference.
- (g) Mike Bellarosa made a motion, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marco Lanzoni to reduce the number of contests from 6 to 3 in the following sports: Indoor Track, Gymnastics, Skiing  
All in favor. Motion carried.

16. Old Business:

- (a) Greg Ransom thanked Robbie Greene and MHSSC for the Conference on Athletic Issues. Robbie Greene stated the Legal Issues presented were important to all School Districts. Robbie thanked Renee James and Robert Zayas for their participation in the Conference.  
Motion to adjourn made by Dr. Ivan Katz, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sean Michel.  
All in favor, motion carried.

Next Meeting Date:

Thursday January 4, 2018 at 9:30 am at Orange-Ulster Boces

The Discussion on Section IX 8 Man Football began with a report to the Athletic Council on January 4, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

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