



# Section IX Athletics

Gregory Ransom, Executive Director

**Section IX Athletic Council Meeting  
Tuesday, March 12, 2019  
John A Coleman High School – 9:30 am**

## Minutes

1. Call to Order: Greg Ransom  
All members present except: Dr. Ivan Katz, Ken Hauck and Fred Ahart. Greg introduced Andrew Belsky Territorial Manager for HUDL who spoke to Athletic Directors.
2. Pledge of Allegiance: Greg Ransom
3. Review of Meeting Materials: Jim Osborne
4. Approval of January 3, 2019 Meeting Minutes  
Motion to approve by Tim Bult, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave Coates. All in favor. Motion carried.
5. Financial Report: Jim Osborne  
Motion to approve by Joe Phelan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sean Michel. All in favor. Motion carried.
6. Section IX NYSPHSAA Representatives: Roberta Greene and Jim Wolfe reviewed the Meeting Highlights from the February 1, 2019 NYSPHSAA Committee meeting. Robbie and Jim need direction on how the Section wants them to vote on May Action Items.
7. NYSPHSAA Office Report: Robert Zayas reviewed:
  - a. Gift cards and gift certificates are considered compensation.
  - b. NYSPHSAA **RECOMMENDS** that every member High School has a Certified Athletic Trainer providing full-time access on coverage to the athletic program
  - c. In May NYSPHSAA will vote for or against using NFHS Rules
  - d. Sport Season length- revision
  - e. NYSCOSS supports discussing bringing back the contests to pre 2009-2010
  - f. Pitch Count – 2019 post season Pitch Count summary form
8. Combining of Teams: Tim Bult and Kermit Moyer  
Tim presented the Committee recommendation stating “The sport of wrestling requires representation in at least eight (8) classes to win a match. Initial COT approval may be granted prior to the season, but final approval is contingent upon the actual weights of wrestlers during the Section 9 weight certification process.” **Back to the Leagues**  
Robert Zayas stated that Section IX Combining of Teams Committee Application and Procedure is one of the best in New York State.  
Steve Boucher asked if the Committee could look at the numbers for Individual Sports. Tim Bult stated the Committee could revisit the numbers. Robbie Greene asked about the “Deadlines” that are placed on the application. The Committee will review the dates for Modified.  
Motion by Tim Bult, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Phelan to approve the Committee Recommendations for 2019-2020. All in favor. Motion carried.  
Motion by Tim Bult, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave Coates to approve:
  - (1) Modified Baseball Kingston (Host) and Mount Academy
  - (2) JV Baseball Rhinebeck (Host) and Coleman
  - (3) Modified Baseball Rhinebeck (Host) and Red Hook**Pending approval** by the MHAL and OCIAA next week **and** approval by the Athletic Council. All in favor. Motion carried.
9. Back from the Leagues:
  - a. Section IX Proposed Calendar for 2019-2020 with changes. Motion by Sean Michel, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave Coates. All in favor. Motion carried.
  - b. Alpine Skiing Radios - Greg asked Janet Carey, Chairperson to provide the three price quotes for the Athletic Council to review.
  - c. 2019 Senior All Star Contest Girls and Boys – Motion to approve by John Landro, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hans Sebald. All in favor. Motion carried.

10. Winter Chair Reports: Greg has distributed to the Athletic Council the Winter Chairperson's Reports.
  - a. Basketball – Steve Boucher asked about the playing of the National Anthem at Championships events. Greg asked the Leagues for their input.
  - b. Greg thanked the Sport Chairpersons for all their hard work and dedication. The Times Herald Record wrote great articles on swimming and gymnastics.
  - c. The Athletic Council also discussed the NFHS Streaming.
 

Spring Chair Reports:

    - a. Tom Cassata, Softball Chairperson stated in Softball a 12 Run Rule is being proposed for Modified/JV/Varsity for both Leagues and the Sections. **Back to the Leagues**
    - b. Bill Miller, Boys Lacrosse Chairperson stated that adults need to be on the clock at mod/jv/varsity contests. Each home contest should have a table, horn, and scorebook. Girls Lacrosse also follows the same rule.
    - c. Mike Gillespie, Baseball Chairperson announced that metal spikes are allowed in modified baseball.
11. Chair Reports:
  - a. Girls and Modified Sports- Greg Warren and Michelle Henn
 

Greg asked the Chairpersons to provide a list of Action Items that the Section needs to vote on.
12. New Business:
  - a. Robbie Greene announced that on June 14, 2019 the Mid Hudson School Study Council will host the 631 LTC Safety Course. More information to follow.
  - b. Marco Lanzoni asked the Athletic Council to approve the Dutchess County Exceptional Senior Boys Basketball game. The application has been submitted. Motion to approve Steve Boucher, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Landro.
  - c. Section IX is looking for Chairpersons in the following sports:
    1. Girls Wrestling
    2. Game Day Cheerleading – contact Greg Ransom if you are interested.
  - d. Section IX Athletic Council Officers Positions for 2019-2020
 

On July 1, 2019 the following changes to the Athletic Council will take place:  
 Stephen Boucher becomes Past President  
 John Landro becomes President  
 Tom Cassata becomes 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President  
Orange County needs a 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President
  - e. The Section IX Athletic Council needs to approve the following positions for 2019-2020: Section IX Executive Director, MHAL and Official Coordinator, Eligibility Chairperson and Secretary/Treasurer **Back to the Leagues**
  - f. The Section IX investment company needs the Section IX Athletic Council to approve Greg Ransom, Executive Director replacing Bob Thabet and Tim Bult, Past President, replacing Rosario Agostaro on their form. Motion to approve Marco Lanzoni, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Phelan. All in favor. Motion carried.
  - g. NFHS Media Policy with Section IX **Back to the Leagues**
  - h. Section IX approves Spackenkill merger with Beacon as the Host School 2019-2020 in Girls and Boys Swimming. Motion to approve by Tim Bult, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Landro. All in favor. Motion carried.
13. Old Business: None
14. Adjournment- Motion to adjourn was made by Roberta Greene, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sean Michel. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Next Meeting Date:**

Thursday, April 11, 2019 at Orange-Ulster BOCES at 9:30 am.

Respectfully submitted,  
*James M. Osborne*  
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 Section IX Secretary/Treasurer