



Section IX Athletics

Gregory Ransom, Executive Director

Section IX Athletic Council Meeting Meeting Minutes Thursday, November 2, 2023

1. Call to Order - Greg Ransom
All members present except: Ray Castellani and Jason Closs.
2. Review of Meeting Materials
Section IX information was posted on the Section IX website and emailed to the Athletic Council. Additional Combining of Teams information was emailed to the Athletic Council.
3. Approval of October 3, 2023, Minutes
Motion to approve by Robbie Greene, seconded by Brian Monahan. All in favor. Motion carried.
4. Financial Report – Linda Trapani
Motion to approve by Brian Monahan, seconded by Dr. Ivan Katz. All in favor. Motion carried.
5. BSN
Greg Fall and Rich Koegel will visit Section IX in the near future.
6. Section IX NYSPHSAA Representatives- Roberta Greene and David Coates
 - a. Items approved by NYSPHSAA were reviewed by Robbie and Dave.
 - b. Dave reviewed the NYSPHSAA Ad Hoc Committee proposals presented by Section III and Section I. Dave talked about “equity” and Regional Rotations.
7. NYSPHSAA Office Report – Dr. Robert Zayas
 - a. Dr. Zayas reviewed the Fall 2023 Championships with an emphasis on the Championship Operations Packet.
 - b. There will be no Federation Girls Wrestling Tournament this year. The PSAL will not be participating.
 - c. Dr. Zayas reviewed the Mixed Competition Committee Meeting.
 - d. He also reviewed the NYSPHSAA Bid process and procedure.
8. Combining of Teams - Tim Bult and Frank Alfonso
203-2024 Combining of Teams Report (*attached*)
 - a. *Motion by Dr. Ivan Katz, seconded by Derek Adams, to approve those Combining of Teams approved by the Committee. All in favor. Motion carried.*
 - b. *Motion by Dr. Ivan Katz, seconded by Brian Monahan, to approve the Combining of Teams list as approved by the MHAL/OCIAA Leagues. Votes: 14 Yes; 1 No. Motion carried.*
 - c. Greg Ransom requested the Combining of Teams Committee, the League Presidents, and the League Coordinators meet to discuss possible changes and/or revisions to the Combining of Teams Policy.
9. Fall Chairs Reports
 - a. Volleyball – Steve Boucher thanked the host schools of the Tournament for their help and support.
 - b. Football – Dave Coates reviewed the 2023 Championships.

- c. Cross Country – Joe Cahill reviewed the emails sent regarding the 2023 Championship to be held in Warwick, NY.
- d. Game Day Cheerleading – Patti Archiere, Assistant Chairperson, thanked Cornwall for hosting the Game Day Championship.
- e. Girls Swimming – Chris Sammons reviewed the Girls Swimming Championship that begins Thursday, November 2, at Valley Central.
- f. Girls Tennis – Urvashi Gupta congratulated the Section IX Individual and Team Tennis Champions.
- g. Girls Soccer – Diane Wanser congratulated the Section IX Champions as the Regional Tournament has begun.

10. Winter Chair Reports

- a. Competitive Cheerleading – Patti Archiere
The classification numbers have changed for 2023-24. Please review with your coaches.
- b. Bowling – Sean Collins
The Committee is working to finalize the Championship site and date.

11. Chair Reports

- a. Student-Athlete Advisory Committee – Suzanne Lendzian
Section IX and Section I will host a SAAC Conference. Thank you to Robbie Greene for your help and support. NYSPHSAA will host a statewide NYSPHSAA SAAC Conference on Thursday, March 28, 2024. Information is *attached* and will be sent to the Leagues.
- b. Officials Coordinator – Dennis Burkett
Dennis discussed school districts practicing good sportsmanship. Schools should emphasize a Spectator and Parental Code of Conduct. Schools should greet and provide a safe environment for the officials.
- c. Sportsmanship – Adam Kless
Adam stated schools should be following Spectator Guidelines. Jason Semo asked if the Section could look into banning violators of good sportsmanship at Home or Away events. The discussion turned to school districts identifying their security personnel by wearing armbands or identifying clothing.
- d. NYSPHSAA Foundation – Chris Mayo
Chris asked the Athletic Directors for ideas for fundraising.
- e. NYSAAA – Greg Warren
Greg stated the portal is open for the NYSAAA Conference Registration. Sue Lendzian is looking for the Athletic Directors to complete the AAA Nomination forms.

12. Old Business

None to report.

13. New Business

- a. The Section IX Budget for 2024-2025 was presented.
- b. Ice Hockey Chairperson
Motion to approve Marin Grzan made by Brian Monahan, seconded by Sue Lendzian. All in favor. Motion carried.
- c. Girls Flag Football
Motion to approve Elaine Schellberg as Co-Chair with Greg Sirico made by Brian Monahan, seconded by John Giametta. All in favor. Motion carried.
- d. Representation Rule
Motion by Tim Bult, seconded by Brian Monahan, to go from 6 contests to 3 contests in the sports of Skiing, Gymnastics, and Indoor Track. All in favor. Motion carried.

- e. *Motion to approve Football and Boys/Girls Senior All-Star application made by Dave Coates, seconded by Tim Bult. All in favor. Motion carried.*
- f. *Motion to approve Valley Central request to move up a Classification in Boys Lacrosse from B to A made by Tim Bult, seconded by Brian Monahan. All in favor. Motion carried.*
- g. Greenwood Lake Proposal “to allow 13 school districts within New York State that serve K-8 only to combine separate multiple Modified Teams in a sport with the districts they contract with to attend high school.” The proposal was reviewed by Superintendent Sarah Hadden. The Athletic Council discussed the proposal and it was sent to the Leagues for discussion and to vote on the proposal.
- h. Cheerleading
Greg Ransom discussed the issues that occurred during the Game Day Championship. Greg reviewed the Technical and Scoring issues of the Competition. Greg thanked Heather Walsh for her help and support.

14. Adjournment of Section IX Meeting

Motion to adjourn by Brian Monahan, seconded by Dave Coates. All in favor. Motion carried.

Next Section IX Meeting Date:

Thursday, January 4, 2024

In person, 9:30 am, Orange-Ulster BOCES

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Osborne

Section IX Secretary

2023-24 Combining of Teams

* sub-varsity

for 9/7/2023 meeting

SPORT	LEVEL	HOST SCHOOL	COMB SCHOOL #1	RECO	RATIONALE	IS #	Year
Football (8-Man)	Varsity	Liv. Manor	Roscoe	Yes	LM-12/Ros-7	Team	Fall 2023
Girls Soccer	Varsity	Liv. Manor	Roscoe	Yes	LM-8/Ros-7	Team	Fall 2023
Boys Soccer	Varsity	Liv. Manor	Roscoe	Yes	LM-10/Ros-4	Team	Fall 2023
Boys XC	Varsity	Liv. Manor	Roscoe	Yes	LM-2/Ros-2	Ind.-5	Fall 2023
Girls XC	Varsity	Liv. Manor	Roscoe	Yes	LM-3/Ros-1	Ind.-5	Fall 2023
Field Hockey	Modified	Taconic Hills	Webutuck	Yes	Webutuck-1	Team	Fall 2023
			OCIAA Approve	7/17/2023 - Email			
			Var Mergers->	MHAL Approve	7/6/2023 - Email	<u>All Stay Class D</u>	
			S9 Approve/Mins	7/26/2023 - Email			
Girls Soccer	* Modified	Liv. Manor	Roscoe	Yes	LM-10/Ros-8	Team	Fall 2023
Volleyball	* Modified	Liv. Manor	Roscoe	Yes	LM-7/Ros-5	Team	Fall 2023
			COT Spec Approval -->	7/17/23			
			S9 Minutes	9/7/23			
Football	* Modified-11	Warwick	Greenwood Lake	Yes	G.L - 4	Team	Fall 2023
			COT Spec Approval -->	8/18/23			
			OCIAA/MHAL Minutes	8/22.23/2023			
			S9 Minutes	9/7/23			
!! Girls Swim	Varsity	Goshen	Chester	Yes	Chester-2	Ind.	Fall 2023
!! Boys XC	Varsity	SS Seward	Chester	Yes	Chester-1	Ind.	Fall 2023
			!! SHADOW	NO VOTE			
Girls Tennis	* JV	Fallsburg	Tri-Valley	Yes	Fall-2/TV-2	Team	Fall 2023
Girls Soccer	* Modified	Seward	Chester	Yes	Seward-7/Chester-6	Team	Fall 2023
			COT Spec Approval -->	9/6/23			
			Leagues & S9 Minutes	9/7/23			
Boys Basketball	Varsity	Livingston Manor	Roscoe	No	LM-5 / R-6	Team	Winter 23-24
	JV	Livingston Manor	Roscoe	No	LM-8 / R-5	Team	Winter 23-24
	Modified	Livingston Manor	Roscoe	No	LM-5 / R-7	Team	Winter 23-24
Girls Basketball	Varsity	Livingston Manor	Roscoe	Yes	LM-4 / R-6	Team	Winter 23-24
	JV	Livingston Manor	Roscoe	Yes	LM-3 / R-6	Team	Winter 23-24
	Modified	Livingston Manor	Roscoe	No	LM-10 / R-9	Team	Winter 23-24
Cheerleading	Varsity	Livingston Manor	Roscoe	Yes	LM-3 / R-1	Team	Winter 23-24
Boys Indoor Track	Varsity	Livingston Manor	Roscoe	Yes	LM-2 / R-5	Ind.	Winter 23-24
Girls Indoor Track	Varsity	Livingston Manor	Roscoe	Yes	LM-1 / R-4	Ind.	Winter 23-24
Baseball	Varsity	Livingston Manor	Roscoe	Yes	LM-6 / R-2	Team	Spring 2024
	Modified	Livingston Manor	Roscoe	Yes	LM-8 / R-9	Team	Spring 2024
Softball	Varsity	Livingston Manor	Roscoe	Yes	LM-5 / R-4	Team	Spring 2024
	JV	Livingston Manor	Roscoe	Yes	LM-7 / R-6	Team	Spring 2024
	Modified	Livingston Manor	Roscoe	No	LM-13 / R-9	Team	Spring 2024
Girls Golf	Varsity	Livingston Manor	Roscoe	Yes	LM-1 / R-0	Ind.	Spring 2024
Boys Spring Track	Modified	Livingston Manor	Roscoe	Yes	LM-1 / R-2	Ind.	Spring 2024
Girls Spring Track	Modified	Livingston Manor	Roscoe	Yes	LM-0 / R-1	Ind.	Spring 2024

Note - SHADOW

Boys Golf	Varsity	Livingston Manor	Roscoe	** SHADOW	LM-0 / R-5	Ind.	Spring 2024
Boys Spring Track	Varsity	Livingston Manor	Roscoe	** SHADOW	LM-2 / R-4	Ind.	Spring 2024
Girls Spring Track	Varsity	Livingston Manor	Roscoe	** SHADOW	LM-1 / R-6	Ind.	Spring 2024

** No Vote Required

OCIAA Approve-ALL	10/17/23
MHAL Approve-ALL	10/18/23
S9 Approve-ALL	11/2/23



Location:

Hilton – Albany – 40 Lodge Street, Albany, NY

Date:

Thursday, March 28, 2024

- The night before (March 27, 2023) there will be an *optional* "Ice Breaker" event put on by the NYSPHSAA SAAC. Will have snacks/games, etc.

Attendees:

- 10th and 11th graders (different students from previous year), 1 chaperone for every 10 students
- Number of students per section is listed below
- Please include NYSPHSAA SAAC within your numbers. Waiting on confirmation of the students that are attending. Once confirmed, will inform the sections.

1	22
2	18
3	20
4	14
5	22
6	20
7	8
8	18
9	14
10	8
11	20
Total	184

Timeline:

- November
 - o NYSPHSAA to release interest survey via NYSPHSAA news, social media, and direct email to ADs.
- January
 - o Sections receive interest survey submissions from NYSPHSAA.
 - o Sections select attendees based on interest surveys.
 - o Sections begin planning travel.
- February
 - o NYSPHSAA to send permission forms (hopefully online) to students/parents
- March
 - o NYSPHSAA to provide sections with permission information

Finances:

- NYSPHSAA to cover the cost of student hotel rooms
- Sections responsible for booking/cost of travel arrangements
 - o NYSPHSAA to reimburse sections for mileage based on the model used for individual championships
- NYSPHSAA to bill back sections for chaperone rooms
- No parent chaperones unless absolutely necessary