



SECTION IX ATHLETICS

Robert Thabet, Executive Director

Section IX Athletic Council Meeting
Minutes of Meeting
Orange-Ulster BOCES, Carl P. Onken Conference Center
Tuesday, September 13, 2011

1. Call to order – Bob Thabet
All Athletic Council Members were present.
2. Introduction of New Athletic Directors
Mr. Thabet asked Jim Wolfe to introduce the interim Athletic Director for the Goshen School District, Tom Heinzelman. Doug Murphy, OCIAA President, introduced the other new OCIAA Athletic Directors: Liberty – Interim Athletic Director, Shirley Weigand; Monticello – Interim Athletic Director, Ron Montalto; Newburgh – Jack Majer; Pine Bush – Wendy Crandall; and Minisink Valley – Doug Murphy

Dennis Burkett, MHAL Assistant Chairperson introduced the new MHAL Athletic Directors: Pine Plains – Jeremy Weber; Rondout Valley – Jake Maloney; Saugerties – Chris Curnan; and Webutuck – Ken Sauer.

Mr. Murphy also introduced the new Athletic Council members representing the OCIAA, Mr. John Landro, President and Ms. Kelly Doherty, 2nd Vice President.
3. Anaconda Sports – Mr. Richard Koegel and Mr. Bert Myers
Mr. Koegel and Mr. Myers both stated that Section IX is their number 1 priority. Anaconda Sports supports all the sports that Section IX participates in. The Nike uniform company has a unique uniform offer to the school districts. You can contact Mr. Koegel, Mr. Myers or your Anaconda representative to help you in the process or go to www.niketeam.com catalog then to sport season.
4. Financial Report – Jim Osborne
Motion to approve by John Landro, 2nd by Tim Bult. All in favor. Motion carried. Mr. Osborne read the review by Nugent & Haeussler. Motion to approve by Doug Murphy, 2nd by Tom Cassata. All in favor. Motion carried. Mr. Thabet stated that Section IX will not have a budget or dues increase for 2012-2013. A 2012-2013 budget will be submitted to the Athletic Council for approval. If the budget needs to be reviewed in May, Mr. Thabet will ask the Athletic Council to review the budget.
5. Review of Meeting Materials – Jim Osborne
 - A. September 2011 NYSPHSAA Office Report
 - B. Flow Chart of NYSPHSAA Section IX Athletics, MHAL and OCIAA
 - C. NYSPHSAA Summer Meeting Highlights
 - D. SED letter regarding Cheerleading

- E. 2011-2012 NYSPHSAA championship Dates / Sites
 - F. NFHS – Coaching Education courses
 - G. NYSED Physical Education and Athletics Update
 - H. Wrestling – Certification Waiver Process and NFHS Weight Classes
 - I. Handbook Committee Minutes
 - J. NYSPHSAA Safety Committee Report
 - K. Modified Athletics – Report to the Central Committee
 - L. Section IX Directory 2011-2012
6. Approval of June 14, 2011 Minutes
Motion to approve by Ray Castellani, 2nd by Dennis Burkett. All in favor. Motion carried.
7. NYSPHSAA Report
Ms. Roberta Greene reviewed the approved items from the NYSPHSAA Summer Meeting.
- A. Member dues will be the same as the amount paid in 2011-2012 for the next two school years (2012-2013 and 2013-2014).
 - B. Thank you to Pat Ryan and Jim Glover for their help in dealing with Swimming and Cross Country. Congratulations to Scott Warner who was approved as the Assistant Boys Swimming and Diving Coordinator.
 - C. Important Reminders – Practice Sessions – Highlights of Rule and Concussion Management.
8. Section IX NYSPHSAA Representatives – Roberta Greene and Jim Wolfe
Review of the highlights and handouts. Mr. Thabet thanked the Sectional Representatives for their time and effort.
9. NYSPHSAA Eligibility Workshop
A reminder that all Athletic Directors must attend the NYSPHSAA Eligibility Workshop on Tuesday, October 4, 2011 at Wallkill High School. All new Athletic directors must remain for an additional review of the NYSPHSAA Rules and Regulations.
10. Harmony Christian School – Jim Osborne
The letter sent to Harmony Christian School by NYSPHSAA was reviewed.
11. Exceptional Senior Football Contest – David Coates
The Section IX Football Committee and Coaches Association would like the Athletic Council support for a 2012 contest. The Senior All-Star Contest application will be submitted for a December vote by the Athletic Council.
12. Section IX Boys Golf Chairperson – Back from the Leagues
Motion by Doug Murphy, 2nd by John Landro to approve Tom Howe as Chairperson. All in favor. Motion carried.

13. School Mergers – Jim Osborne
Each school district needs to submit a letter of approval to their respective League, the approval by the League then needs to be sent to the Section IX Athletic Council for approval.
 14. Application from Membership into Section IX – Bob Thabet
The Dover School District has applied for Membership into Section IX for the 2012-2013 school year. Mr. Thabet has invited the School District Superintendent and Athletic Director to attend the next Section IX Athletic Council Meeting in October with a December vote by the Athletic Council.
 15. Fall Chair Reports:
 - a. Cross Country – Jim Glover and Steve Loturco
In 2011 the Sectional Championship will have 4 classes that is down from the 5 classes that were run in 2010. The split in classification is not 25 % in each class of the school districts. The Sectional Championship will be run at Bear Mountain State Park on November 4, 2011 with a 10:30 a.m. start. Check the booklet on-line for the starting time of each classification. The 2014 or 2015 NYSPHSAA meet will be held in Section IX.

The Section IX coaches would like permission to sell t-shirts and use the proceeds to honor the athletes. Mr. Thabet asked Jim Glover to submit a proposal to the Athletic Council for review before the next Athletic Council Meeting.
 - b. Football – Dave Coates and Glen Maisch
Booklet is online, no further report at this time.
 - c. Boys Soccer – Pete Ferguson
Section IX will host the NYSPHSAA Boys Soccer championship for the next four year. Mr. Thabet and Mr. Ferguson reported on a No card package that the Brine Corporation will sponsor in each Section for boys and girls teams.
 - d. Girls Soccer – Diane Wanser
Ms. Wanser needs the names and emails of all new varsity coaches so that she can forward information to them. A reminder that Section IX will host the 1st round of Regional contests.
 - e. Field Hockey – C.J. Bull-Knuth
Written report submitted and attached.
 - f. Girls Swimming – Pat Ryan
Information regarding the Section meet is online. Mr. Ryan wanted to thank the school districts for their cooperation in rescheduling meets due to the problems that some school districts were having.
- * Mr. Thabet requested all Chairpersons to review the possibility of the Section providing transportation to NYSPHSAA Meets. Mr. Thabet will be asking the

Chair people to provide the Athletic Council with details by the December Athletic Council Meeting.

- g. Girls Tennis – Selina DeCicco
No report at this time.
- h. Volleyball – Toni Woody
Booklet is online. Contact the Leagues representative with any questions.

16. Chair Reports:

- a. Girls & Boys Modified Sports – Brian Devincenzi & Helenanne Gillinder
Report is online. Reminder about Volleyball: the service line may be moved into the court at a distance not to exceed 2 meters from the regulation service line.
Basketball – boys and Girls 3 point shot to be reviewed and discussed at the next meeting.
- b. Safety – Janet Carey
Minutes of the Management Committee Meeting is attached with the survey to be completed and mailed or emailed to Janet Carey. If any athletic directors need to contact Dr. Nicholas Belasco regarding In Pact or Concussion Management information he can be reached at (845) 291-0966. Mr. Thabet reported that NYSPHSAA is looking into the legal aspects of Concussion Management.
- c. Chemical Health – Marco Lanzoni
No report at this time.
- d. Officials Coordinator – Dennis Burkett
No report at this time.
- e. Eligibility – Fred Ahart
The Committee will be meeting with the Athletic Council after the meeting.
- f. Sportsmanship – Glen Maisch
Mr. Thabet and Mr. Maisch congratulated the Middletown School District and Mr. David Coates, Athletic Director, for receiving the NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Promotion Award.

17. New Business

Mr. Thabet reviewed what a sponsorship package might look like with NYSPHSAA – Back to the Leagues.

Chapter 9/Section 9 needs a representative to the NYSAAA. Please contact Jim Osborne if interested.

18. Old Business

None to report.

19. Motion to adjourn and go into Executive Session made by Tim Bult, 2nd by John Landro.
All in favor. Motion carried.

Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, October 4, 2011 at Wallkill High School at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

James M. Osborne

James M. Osborne, Secretary
Section IX Athletics

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Section IX Concussion Management Committee Meeting

August 10, 2011 10 AM

Middletown High School

MINUTES

Attendance: Janet Carey, Section IX Safety Concussion Chairperson

Craig Olejniczak, Middletown AT

Patricia Sullivan, Middletown FNP-BC

Bob Coudry, Newburgh AT

Sharon Delmonico, Minisink Valley AT

John Goff, Pine bush AT

John Kosowicz, Washingtonville AT

Nicholas Belasco, DO Bon Secours Medical Group, Family, Sports, and
Concussion Management Medicine

Janet Carey, Concussion Committee chairperson, welcomed and thanked the members and guests for attending a summer meeting. Introductions were made and committee information was updated by all present.

Janet spoke briefly and discussed the history and progress of the committee, as well as concussion management in the state. The focus for this school year – supporting the establishment and functioning of concussion management teams at all schools.

Craig thanked the athletic trainers present for their participation and spoke about our committee's task of taking a leadership role in helping schools develop their concussion management teams this year. He introduced Dr. Belasco from the Bon Secours Medical Group who in turn spoke with the committee about his background and experience in the field of concussion management and brain injury with his patients, as well as professional sport teams, experience with the Impact program and treatment of concussed patients. He also discussed workshops he has given for other physicians on brain injury. Dr. Belasco discussed his

interest and willingness to work with our concussion management committee for the benefit of our area athletes.

We discussed the important role of the athletic trainers and school nurses in the assessment and treatment of concussed athletes, as well as their contribution to the general education of the athletes, parents, teachers, coaches and other school staff who work with concussed athletes not only at their respective schools, but as resources for other schools and area sports clubs as well. Craig expressed his desire to have our schools be exemplary in the area of concussion diagnosis, treatment and management in the state. He spoke of the recent ivy league changes in concussion management of football in order to make practice safer for athletes.

Specific plans were made to have representation at the pre-season football coaches meetings and other pre-season sport coaches meetings for this fall (Aug 14 and Aug 25)

The committee will work with Patricia Sullivan to have a presentation at the regional Orange County School Nurses meeting in November.

Janet will look into the same presentation for the Sullivan County Nurses meeting in the fall as well.

Craig reiterated the work that needs to be done especially to assist schools that may not have as many resources or who are just starting to develop their school committees and how everyone doing his or her part will be beneficial.

With the yearly turnover of school staff personnel, Janet said she would send an updated concussion management school team survey to to all schools in the section to enable them to update their concussion team membership information and recent developments with our sectional team. This survey should assist us in knowing how to easily get information out to school teams point people and to identify the schools that may benefit the most from our resources and help for this process.

The next meeting of the concussion management committee will be after the opening of school when school surveys have been completed. Notification will be sent to team members.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:06.

WHAT A PRESENTING SPONSORSHIP PACKAGE MIGHT LOOK LIKE WITH NYSPHSAA

NYSPHSAA would like to begin pursuing naming/title/presenting sponsorship partnerships with compatible and appropriate partners to continue to support the mission of high school athletics in New York State. Legally, this activity is allowable for non-profits in NYS, per our Association attorney. Also, sponsors would not have control of events regardless of level of presenting sponsorship. Below is what a PRESENTING sponsorship may look like for a NYSPHSAA tournament.

- **Purpose/Objective:** To enhance the championship experience for all participants and attendees by offsetting costs of venues, officials, etc. while also keeping admission tickets affordable.
- **Name of tournament:**
NYSPHSAA Boys & Girls Lacrosse Championships presented by Pupil Benefits
- **Designation** as “Official Insurance Provider”
- **Sponsorship benefits:**
 - Full page ad in program
 - Logo on cover of program
 - Name & logo on sponsors page NYSPHSAA web site
 - Name & logo on sport page on NYSPHSAA web site
 - Up to 3 banners a tournament
 - Logo on LED, scoreboard, jumbotron where applicable
 - Use of NYSPHSAA logos on marketing materials
 - 2-3 PA announcements during event
 - On site exhibit space to display merchandise
 - Distribution of “Announcement Packet” to member schools twice per year. Packet to be mailed at sponsor’s expense and include a letter and coupon. Contents to be approved by NYSPHSAA
 - Have the opportunity to develop promotions like a Punt, Pass & Kick contest, game ball presentations, etc. Promotion to be approved by NYSPHSAA.
- **Cost of presenting sponsorship:** \$ 75,000 - \$100,000
- **Do other states allow presenting & title sponsorships (price range):**

RI-Yes to both, \$5,000-\$15,000	CO – Yes to both, \$25,000-\$100,000	TX – Yes to both, 6 digits
NV – Yes, \$150,000 (presenting only)	VA – yes, \$150,000 (title only)	WV – No to both
KY – Yes to both	CT- No to both	OH – Yes to both
TN – yes, \$40,000-\$150,000 (title only)	AZ – no to title, yes to presenting \$30,000-\$100,000	

Field Hockey 2011 season info:

Important dates

October 17th -- Last day for Seeding information to be faxed to CJ at 845-342-5885, seeding meeting will be 21st. Info emailed out. (per handbook)

October 18th, 20th -- MHAL tournament @ HV Sportsdome

October 21st-- Seeding meeting

October 25th -- Season end meeting at Anaconda at 6 pm. To go over sectional games, concerns from season. Set up protest committees for games.

Oct 31st-Nov 3rd -- Sectional Games @ HV Sportsdome

November 12th -- Regional Games @ HV Sportsdome: 12pm Class A; 2 pm Class B; 4pm Class C

November 18-20 -- States @ Cicero-North HS

Once again the coaches in the league have decided to be participate in the statewide "Play 4 the Cure" in support of Breast Cancer Awareness during the month of October. Kits can be obtained on Longstreth's website and order their **FREE Play 4 the Cure** kit that includes 2 pink game balls, 50 pink wristbands for sale at \$1.00 each and a donation recording sheet to be sent in at the end of the season. The coaches are also working on other activities to support this cause.

Respectfully submitted
CJ Bull Knuth
Field Hockey Chair person