



SECTION IX ATHLETICS

Robert Thabet, Executive Director

Section IX Athletic Council Meeting
Minutes of Meeting
Thomas Bull Memorial Park
Tuesday, June 12, 2012

1. Call to order – Bob Thabet
All members present except: Mr. Ray Castellani and Mr. Dave Bernsley
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Bob Thabet
3. Approval of May 16, 2012 Minutes
Motion to approve by Dennis Burkett, 2nd by Doug Murphy. All in favor. Motion carried.
4. Financial Report – Jim Osborne
Motion to approve by Jim Wolfe, 2nd by Tim Bult. All in favor. Motion carried.
5. Review of Meeting Materials – Jim Osborne
 - A. New York State Concussion Management and Awareness Law
 - B. NYSPHSAA Eligibility Workshop Form
 - C. 2012 Boy's Soccer State Championship Form
 - D. Officials – Memorandum of Agreement
 - E. Information regarding Executive Session
6. NYSPHSAA Executive Director – Ms. Nina Van Erk
At this time Bob Thabet presented Ms. Nina Van Erk with a plaque and a Section IX Gold Card. Bob thanked Nina for her time and dedication to the athletes of Section IX. Ms. Van Erk reported on:
 - A. Concussion Management
 - B. Advanced Athletic Placement
 - C. Cheerleading – details will be provided to the Sections in the fall 2012.
7. Section IX NYSPHSAA Representatives – Roberta Greene and Jim Wolfe
No report at this time.
8. Back from the Leagues - Bob Thabet
 - A. Wrestling Recommendations
 1. Should Section IX increase the number of officials from 5 to 6 on the 2nd day of the tournament. Motion to approve by Doug Murphy, 2nd by Jim Wolfe. All in favor. Motion carried.

2. Increase the number of teams to participate in Section IX Duals from 2 to 4 in Division II. The Section IX Athletic Council does not support this action.
 3. Liberty to host the 2012-2013 D-2 Tournament. New Paltz to host the 2013-2014 D-2 Tournament. Motion to approve by Doug Murphy, 2nd by Tim Bult. All in favor. Motion carried.
- B. Combining of School Merged Programs
Motion to approve by Doug Murphy, 2nd by Toni Woody. All in favor. Motion carried.
- C. Faith Christian Academy
Motion to approve as a Friend and Neighbor was made by Doug Murphy, 2nd by Dennis Burkett. All in favor. Motion carried.
- D. Varsity and Modified Track
Section IX Athletic Council does not support this action.
9. Mergers for 2012-2013
Fall 2012 season - Marlboro Central School District and Highland Central School District for Varsity Girls Swimming.
Fall 2012 season – Roscoe Central School District and Downsville Central School District for Football, Girls and Boys Soccer, Girls and Boys Cross Country – all levels.

Winter 2012-2013 season –Hyde Park Central School District (F.D.R.) and Highland Central School District for Varsity Boys Swimming. Motion to approve by Tom Cassata, 2nd by Dennis Burkett. All in favor. Motion carried.
 10. The Mount Academy League Affiliation – Cross Country
Motion to approve participation in the OCIAA for the Fall 2012. Dennis Burkett, 2nd by Toni Woody. All in favor. Motion carried.
 11. Section IX Directory and Sports Dues Form – Jim Osborne
The school directories need to be updated and returned. All Sports Dues forms need to be completed and returned.
 12. Section IX Non Public School Classification Committee Meeting – Tom Cassata
The committee recommends to the Athletic Council the following for 2012-2013:

Girls Basketball	John A. Coleman Catholic	Class C to Class B
Boys Basketball	John S. Burke Catholic	Class B to Class A
Softball	Chapel Field Christian School	Class C to Class D

 Section IX Athletic Council voted unanimously to approve the recommendations of the Non-Public School Classification Committee.
 13. Section IX Dr. Moran Award – Kelly Doherty
The Section IX Athletic Council presented Joe Iatauro with the 2012 Dr. William Moran Award. Bob Thabet thanked Joe Iatauro for his time and dedication to the athletes of

Section IX. Joe Iatauro stated he was honored to receive the award. Dr. Moran was a true role model for all Athletic Administrators.

14. Spring Sport Chairs:

a. Baseball – Dave Onusko

Written report is on-line. Dave congratulated NYSPHSAA Champions, Kingston - Class AA, Cornwall – Class A and John Coleman – Class D.

b. Boys Golf – Tom Howe

Written report is on-line.

c. Boys Lacrosse – Bob Slate

Written report is on-line. Bob Thabet reported for Bob Slate that the NYSPHSAA Championships held at Middletown High School was impressive, “but it was the people involved in the organization and operation that made it all outstanding.”

d. Boys Tennis – Urvashi Gupta and LuAnn McCarthy

Written report on-line.

e. Track & Field – Joe Iatauro and Eric McLaud

Written reports submitted. In their oral report they congratulated the Section IX Class Champions and the NYSPHSAA Champions. Eric McLaud also reported on the “Balance of Schools” and the Division I & II cut off numbers.

f. Girls Golf – Bill Earl

The 2012 summary report was given by Scott Warner. Report will be filed on-line.

g. Girls Lacrosse – Wendy Crandall

The 2012 Class Champions were congratulated with Kingston High School playing very well in Regional competition. Wendy Crandall stated as the Section IX Chairperson and girls lacrosse official she is concerned about the difference in the official fee paid to the girls lacrosse official vs. the boys lacrosse official. Ms. Crandall was concerned about the possible job action the Girls Officials Association might take next spring 2013. Bob Thabet stated that any official negotiations should take place between the Officials and Section IX Negotiators. Wendy Crandall stated she believed the current contract is unfair to the Girls Lacrosse Officials.

h. Softball – Bruce Guyette and Steve Boucher

The end of the year report for 2012 was given by Tom Cassata, who thanked Minisink Valley and SUNY New Paltz for hosting the Tournament. The Section IX Champions were Class AA – Valley Central, Class A – Cornwall, Class B – Highland, Class C – Tuxedo and Class D – Livingston Manor. Please direct your softball coaches (all levels) to fill out the survey on the Section IX website concerning face masks and mouth pieces.

15. Fall Chair Reports:

a. Cross Country – Jim Glover and Steve Loturco

No report.

- b. Football – Dave Coates and Glen Maisch
Dave Coates talked about the August Rules Interpretations Meeting and Section IX Football Exceptional Senior Game.
 - c. Boys Soccer – Pete Ferguson
 - d. Girls Soccer – Diane Wanser
The booklet will be on-line very soon.
 - e. Field Hockey – C.J. Bull-Knuth
The Section IX Field Hockey Report was emailed to Athletic Directors with the Section IX booklet being on-line very soon.
 - f. Girls Swimming – Pat Ryan
The NYSPHSAA Championship will be held November 15-16-17, 2012 at Ithaca College. The qualifying standards are on-line.
 - g. Girls Tennis – Selina DeCicco
No report.
 - h. Volleyball – Toni Woody
The Section IX booklet will be on-line soon. The Section IX Tournament will be held at SUNY New Paltz on November 3, 2012. The Regionals will be held at SUNY New Paltz on November 6 & 7, 2012. The State Championship will be held on November 17 & 18, 2012.
16. Chair Reports
- a. Girls & Boys Modified Sports –Helenanne Gillinder and Steve Boucher
No report.
 - b. Safety - Janet Carey
No report.
 - c. Chemical Health – Marco Lanzoni
No report.
 - d. Officials Coordinator – Dennis Burkett
The Memorandum of Agreement between the Section IX Athletic Council and Section IX Federation of Sports Officials was reviewed with more details to follow. Bob Thabet thanked Dennis for all his hard work.
 - e. Eligibility – Fred Ahart
No meeting after the meeting.
 - f. Sportsmanship – Glen Maisch
No report.

17. New Business

John Landro reported he had been requested by NYSPHSAA President, Mark Ward to collect from Section IX Athletic Directors the qualities, skills and characteristics they would like to see in a new Executive Director. The Section IX Athletic Council was also asked to select a representative to the "Committee of Eleven."

Motion made by John Landro, 2nd by Dennis Burkett, to select Jim Osborne as Section IX Representative. All in favor. Motion carried.

18. Old Business

No Actions.

19. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn and go into Executive Session was made by Dennis Burkett, 2nd by Toni Woody. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

James M. Osborne

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