

SECTION SEVEN ATHLETIC COUNCIL MEETING
New York State Public High School Athletic Association
January 30, 2019 9:30am Baxter Mountain Inn

MINUTES

1. Call to order and attendance
 - Guests: Robert Zayas – NYSPHSAA Executive Director
 - Officers: J. McDonald, B. Norcross, C. Mazzella, J. Barnhart
 - Staff: M. Walentuk
 - MVAC: M. Mills, M. Douglas,
 - CVAC: V. McMillan, G. Myers, W. Larrow, J. Harrica
 - Executive Committee: S. Broadwell, C. Staves, P. Curry, T. Farrell, K. Lopez
 - CVAC Executive Secretary: M. Farmer
 - MVAC Executive Secretary: R. McAuliffe
 - Absent Excused: D. Snide, J. Toney
 - Proxies:
 - R. McAuliffe for J. Toney
 - Staves, Myers
2. Approval of December 13, 2018 Minutes - Harrica, Staves **APPROVED**
3. Financial Report – Walentuk - Myers, Staves **APPROVED**
 - a. Review of Fall Championship Travel
 - Page 20 – Section VII Reimbursed \$6,180 in Meals – Money comes straight from Sectionals
 - b. 2018-19 Budget to Date
 - \$42,657 in checking account – still waiting on 2 schools to pay State Invoices,
 - We received Spalding Ball Adoption funds since the Financial Report was printed for the packet.
 - c. Finance Committee
 - Will meet prior to 4/30 Athletic Council meeting at 9:30.
 - d. 2019-20 BOCES Budget
 - Increase due to Health Insurance/Pay Increase
 - Requesting Section pay for travel/conference/lodging expenses once CoSer funds are zeroed out.
 - Issue w/ Contractual Unit – didn't budget enough in salary.
 - Motion to have Section reimburse BOCES for travel – Staves, Norcross
4. Conference reports/concerns
 - a. CVAC - none
 - b. MVAC - none

APPROVED

5. Executive Director Report – Walentuk
 - a. Discussion Items from December 13th
 - a. Section VII Negotiating Committee
 - Team will meet after today’s meeting
 - First Negotiation 2/7 at Peru
 - b. Rschooltoday Assigning questions
 - All changes automatically go to assignor
 - c. Consider approval of a Section VII Girls’ Golf State Qualifier that will take place on day 2 of golf sectionals. – Myers, Douglas **APPROVED**
 - Our postseason tournament can only be boys/girls.
 - Need to clarify w/ R. Zayas
 - d. Tennis Sport Coordinators – Harrica, Lopez **APPROVED**
 - Seth Spoor for girls
 - Chuck Ko for boys
 - e. First Aid/CPR
 - Sunday 2/24 Spring Coaches First Aid
 - f. Sectional Trophies
 - Idea of nice perpetual plaque
 - And keep current Sectional trophies for distribution, but get them back
 - RFP – for trophy providers, Trophies are falling apart. The quality is not good.
 - Could we get someone local to produce trophies
 - The CVAC gives a check out.
 - NYSPHSAA bids out pin and trophies in an RFP.
 - Go back to leagues for more input.
 - g. NADC 2018
 - Great conference – top notch. Took 26 pages of notes to share w/ ADs
 - b. Conflict of Interest Signature Forms
 - c. Potential dates of 2019-20 Athletic Council Meetings
 - a. Thursday, 10/3/19
 - b. Thursday, 12/12/19
 - c. Thursday, 1/23/20
 - d. Tuesday, 4/28/20
 - e. Thursday, 6/4/20
 - d. Consider requests for Combining of Schools – Myers, Staves **APPROVED**
 - a. Saranac Lake/Lake Placid - Boys Lacrosse (Mod/Varsity)
 - b. Saranac,Peru,Seton,NCCS w/ PHS – Boys Lacrosse (Varsity)
 - c. Saranac Lake/Lake Placid – Girls Lacrosse (Varsity)
 - e. Other
 - a. Ben Nelson – statement about Basketball

- i. Ben wants Sections to consider Corning as a stronger option than Hudson Valley Community College for Girls Basketball Championships.

f. Important Dates:

- Friday, February 1st – NYSPHSAA Executive Committee Meeting
- Sunday, February 3rd – Winter Sectionals begin (Girls Ice Hockey/Bowling)
- Monday, February 4th – Scholar Athlete Team Entries Open
- Wednesday, February 6th – CVAC Meeting
- Monday, February 11th – MVAC Meeting
- Saturday, February 23rd – Coaches DASA – Lake Placid OTC
- Thursday, February 28th – CVAC Preseason Coaches Meeting
- Sunday, March 4th – Coaches First Aid Meeting
- Monday, March 5th – Spring Sports Start Date
- Wednesday, March 7th – CVAC Meeting
- Tues 3/12- Fri. 3/15 – NYSAAA Conference - Saratoga, NY
- Friday, March 29th – Section Appeal Committee Meeting

6. NYSPHSAA Reports

a. NYSPHSAA Office Report – Robert Zayas

- Ice Hockey issue with increase of 17 mins
- CAC – not interested in changing the fee,
- Officials fact-finders would like to see 13% increase of pay.
- Robert is asking for a recalculation of fees of 6%
- NYSPHSAA went a decade without recalculating fees

b. CAC Report – Curry/Broadwell

- Going to come up in action items

c. SAAC Report – Douglas

- Nothing

d. Other

e. February 1, 2019 Executive Committee Meeting: Embassy Suites - Saratoga Springs

- **Action Items:**

1. **Consider approval for all Ice Hockey games to return to 3 – 15 minute periods and 1:30, 4:00 & 7:30 penalty lengths. - Yes**
 - i. **Section VII never wanted an increase to 17 mins**
 - ii. **Section 6 renegotiated.**
 - iii. **Section 1 is playing 15 mins**
 - iv. **Should NYSPHSAA be using the Mean when finding the %**
 - v. **NO to the increase**
2. **Consider adopting new regional rotation in boys' basketball due to Section 8 having a Class D team. – Yes**
3. Consideration to revise NYSPHSAA Amateur Rule for clarity.

- i. *“Accepting money or other compensation (including gift cards & gift certificates) is prohibited. Allowable entry fees, travel, meals, and lodging expenses is permitted.”*
 - 4. Consideration to revise the NYSPHSAA Transfer Rule by adding: “Note: a student’s Eligibility is determined by the situation/facts that exists at the time of registration.” - **Yes**
 - 5. Consider approval to support NYSPHSAA schools to have full-time access or coverage of a Certified Athletic Trainer. - **No**
 - 6. Consider waivers of the representation rule for various Sections. - **Yes**
 - i. Request 2-1 in Competitive Cheer
 - ii. Request 6-3 in Indoor Track
 - 7. Consideration of revision to the classifications to allow six classifications for sports with more than 500 schools participating at the NYSPHSAA Championships. – **No**
 - i. This would affect Basketball, Soccer, Baseball, Softball, Volleyball
 - ii. Is it a foot in the door for a 6th classification?
 - iii. Section VII would want DD not AAA
 - iv. Can the State Championship venues handle 6 classes?
 - 8. Consideration of a proposal to address receivership situations or similar NYSED situations that affect enrollment numbers. - **Yes**
 - 9. Consideration approval to issue referendum vote to use NFHS Playing Rules when available or take action at May 3rd Executive Committee Meeting. – **Yes**
 - 10. Consideration to revise the Practice Requirements for all Sports. - **Yes**
 - 11. Consideration of the Section IX Girls Wrestling Proposal regarding the NYSPHSAA Representation Rule. – **Yes**
 - 12. Consideration of approval of the NFHS Baseball Rule 3-1-4 Pitcher / Designated Hitter Rule – **Yes**
 - 13. Consider approval of Glens Fall Civic Center/Hudson Valley CC to host boys/girls basketball championships 2020-2022. - **Yes**
 - 14. Consider approval to adopt a video replay protocol for Boys Ice Hockey. - **Yes**
 - 15. Consider approval of SUNY Cortland as the host of 2020-2022 Girls Lacrosse Championships. - **Yes**
 - 16. Consider approval of Section XI as the host of the 2020-2022 Softball Championships. - **Yes**
- **Discussion Items:**
 - 1. Consideration of recognizing Week #44 as “NYSPHSAA Mental Health Awareness Week.”
 - 2. Consideration of approval to revise the date of the Girls Tennis Championships to a Thursday-Saturday format.

1. **Make similar to the boys**
 2. **May have more bids**
 3. Consideration to adopt a nine year rotation to fill the tournament with at-large selections in Girls Tennis.
 1. **Will add Section VII**
 4. Consideration to have a 2-year experiment to eliminate consolations and to add medal playoffs for the top 8 girls tennis participants.
 5. Consideration of revision to the jewelry rule to include practice.
 6. Consideration to revise the amount allotted in the NYSPHSAA Amateur Rule to \$500.
 1. Currently \$250 – since 2003-04
 2. Wide range in other sports
 7. Consideration to allow for permanent approval of a merged team, rather than annual approval. - Withdrawn
 8. Consideration of the future implementation/exploration of e-sports.
 9. Consideration of updates to NYSPHSAA Media Policies & Procedures.
 10. Consideration of Football 7-year regional rotation inclusive of At-large teams to fill byes.
 11. Consideration of Girls/Boys Swimming & Diving qualifying standards.
 12. Consideration of the use of bipods in the sport of Rifle.
 13. Consideration to revise the Fall, Winter & Spring sport season lengths.
 14. Consideration of Girls Lacrosse to adopt an new 3-year rotation.
 15. Consideration of Girls Lacrosse to require all officials working championships to have a completed a transitional clinic.
 16. Consideration of Boys Tennis to adopt a 5-year rotation to fill byes with at-large selections for 2019-23.
 17. Consideration of Baseball to adopt a pitch count summary form.
7. Officials Report – Walentuk
- a. Spring Assignors:

Bill Wisley	Indoor T & F	wrizzz@wriznet.us
Anthony “Cy” Labatore	BB & SB South	cyclospizza@yahoo.com

Have to recommend from the following for North baseball and softball

 - Paul Lamoy – Myers, Mills **APPROVED**
 - Keith Rebideau
 - Jim Varin
 - Allen Giddings
8. Other
9. Adjournment

NEXT MEETING

TUESDAY, APRIL 30TH, 2019