

**SECTION SEVEN ATHLETIC COUNCIL MEETING**  
**New York State Public High School Athletic Association**  
**Thursday 30, 2020 9:30am Olympic Jumping Complex**

**MINUTES**

*2019-2020 Athletic Council*  
*Dates:*

- *Tuesday 4/28/20*
- *Thursday 6/4/20*

**1. Call to order and attendance**

- Officers: J. McDonald, B. Norcross, J. Barnhart
- Staff: M. Walentuk
- MVAC: M. Douglas, M. Mills, D. Snide, M. Lawrence
- CVAC: V. McMillan, W. Larrow, G. Myers, J. Manchester
- Executive Committee: J. Harrica, T. Farrell, P. Curry
- Absent Excused: K. Lopez, S. Broadwell, C. Mazzella
- Proxies:
  - i. R. McAuliffe for S. Broadwell
  - ii. C. Staves for K. Lopez

**2. Approval of December 11, 2019 Minutes – Myers, Douglass**

**APPROVED**

**3. Financial Report – Walentuk – Mills, Harrica**

**APPROVED**

a. 2019-20 Budget to Date

- Received Spalding Adoption

b. Sectional/Regional Admission Pricing

- Committee of Mazzella, Harrica, & Walentuk looked at Sectional/Regional pricing in other Sections and came up with increase of \$5 for all neutral site Semis. \$6 for Sectional finals and \$8 for regionals.
  - i. NYSPHSAA Foundation & National Marketing Contract – TPG working with States.
  - ii. Is there a way for the State to cover the loss of the Ball Adoption Money? We are getting a 3 year extension, NYSPHSAA office is seeing a significant decrease. **Bring up at Executive Directors Meeting. Can NYSPHSAA make up the loss in Spalding Ball Adoption Money?**
  - iii. **Schools are asked to cut 10% in budget.**
  - iv. **TPG should help with the next ball adoption money. They are dedicating an employee.**

c. Finance Committee

- Recommend meeting before April meeting depending on outcome of pricing/assignor position

**4. Conference reports/concerns**

a. CVAC – Nothing right now

b. MVAC –

- In the MVAC the amount of schools fielding baseball/softball is going down and not trending in the right direction. They will be looking at it in the future. They talked about realigning the Section starting in baseball a while ago in Willsboro. It's hard for the MVAC to put together a league schedule. The MVAC hopes that there will be an openness in the room to their needs.
- Schools may have to consider alternate sport options.

**5. Executive Director Report – Walentuk**

a. Actions of the Appeals Committee

- Heard two Hardship Appeal Transfer Cases
  - Talking about what to do when parent calls.
- Approved mixed competition for NAC Cheerleading

b. Conflict of Interest Signature Forms

c. Finalized dates of 2020-21 Athletic Council Meetings

- Thursday, 10/8/20
- Thursday, 12/10/20
- Thursday, 1/21/21
- Thursday, 4/29/21
- Thursday, 6/3/21

d. Consider approval of Combining of Schools: - Myers, Harrica

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- Bolton/Schroon Lake - Baseball (Mod/Varsity)
- Bolton/Schroon Lake - Softball (Mod/Varsity)
- Plattsburgh(host)w/Peru, Seton, NCCS, Saranac, Beekmantown & AuSable – Boys Lacrosse (Varsity)
- AuSable Valley (host) w/ Willsboro – B&G Track & Field (Mod/Varsity)
- Plattsburgh (host) w/ Saranac, Beekmantown,& Peru – Girls Lacrosse (Var)
- Plattsburgh (host) w/ Chazy – B&G Track & Field (Mod/Varsity)
- Moriah/Boquet Valley – B & G Track & Field (Mod/Varsity)
- Lake Placid (host) w/ Keene – Baseball (Varsity)

e. Action Items

- Approval of 2020 Soccer Schedule – Mills, McMillan

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f. NYSPHSAA Executive Committee, Girls PE representative

- Patricia's term is ending at the Central Committee meeting. She has served in this role for 21 years and has been a huge advocate for Small Schools across the State. Question why it has to be a "female representative of Physical Education, instead why not just language that there has to be at least 1 female member.
- Thanks to Patricia for her great service!
- Looking for a representative to begin their term for the Fall 2020 season.

- g. Student Athlete Advisory Committee position opening for 2020-21 (rising male junior) – Opens in March. Currently they are Abbey Racine (NCCS) and Terrence Benedict (Ticonderoga)
  - They attend a workshop at the Carrier Dome focusing on leadership activities
- h. Other
- i. Important Dates:
  - February 4<sup>th</sup> – MVAC AD’s Meeting, Schroon Lake
  - February 5<sup>th</sup> – CVAC AD’s Meeting, Peru
  - February 7<sup>th</sup> – NYSPHSAA Executive Committee Meeting, Saratoga
  - February 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> – NYSPHSAA Girls Hockey Championships, Lake Placid
  - March 4<sup>th</sup> – CVAC AD’s Meeting, Peru
  - March 5<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 PM - Spring Coaches Meeting, AuSable Valley HS
  - March 9<sup>th</sup> – Spring Sports Start Date
  - March 16<sup>th</sup> – Scholar Athlete Deadline
  - March 17<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> – NYSAAA Conference, Saratoga Hilton

## 6. NYSPHSAA Reports

- a. NYSPHSAA Office Report –
  - June Scholastic Event for Basketball, BCANY will fund and support
  - Restructuring of Marketing Position
  - Section XI plans present football option/Lax for starting early
  - Legal Counsel will address Ex-Officio requirements for part of NYSPHSAA
  - Elimination of awards for Individuals that are not sponsored by NYSPHSAA.
- b. Highlights of October 10<sup>th</sup> Executive Committee Report – Addressed last meeting
- c. Committee Reports
  - Handbook Committee Report – Walentuk
    - In Action Items
  - CAC Report – Curry, Broadwell
    - In Action Items
- c. February 7, 2020 Executive Committee Meeting: Embassy Suites, Saratoga Springs
  - **Action Items:**
  - Consider approval to restructure the NYSPHSAA Director of Sales & Marketing position. **Yes**
  - Consider approval to add recommendation to NYSPHSAA Handbook regarding overuse injuries and specialization. **Yes**
  - Consider approval to change Boys Lacrosse length of overtime to 4 minutes. **Yes**
    - i. **Would like modified soccer follow a similar OT procedure**

- Consider approval to endorse an NCAA June Scholastic Basketball Event. **Yes**
- Consider approval of Sportime, Schenectady for 2020-2022 Girls Tennis Championships. **Yes**
- Consider approval of Centereach High School for 2020-2022 NYSPHSAA Field Hockey Championships. **Yes**
- Consider approval to adopt the video replay protocol with an additional criterion regarding onside. **Yes**
- Consider approval of SRC Arena (OCC) to host 2021-2023 NYSPHSAA Wrestling Dual Meet Championships. **Yes**
- Consideration of approval to allow individual sections determine their spring start date to either Week #36 or #37 for Boys Lacrosse. **No**
- **Consider approval of Middletown (2021, 2023) & Cicero-North Syracuse (2022) (Yes) and/or Middletown (2021) & CNS (2022) & St. John Fisher (2023) to host Outdoor Track & Field Championships.**

- **Discussion Items:**

- **Consideration of waiver for Section XI and Section 8 to begin football Week 7. – Their season should end a week earlier as well**
- Consideration of approval of NYSPHSAA Officiating Championship Fees and Policies. **Yes**
- Consideration of approval to change the current language in the NYSPHSAA Officiating Championship Fees & Policies under Girls Basketball. **Yes**
- Consideration of approval of a standard regional rotation for 5-class sports.
- Consideration of approval to clarify language in the NYSPHSAA Handbook related to Shared Services.
- Consideration of approval to clarify the NYSPHSAA Transfer Rule.
- Consideration of approval to add BOCES District Superintendents to be included as an Ex-Officio member of the NYSPHSAA.
  - i. Looking for Information
- Consideration of approval to only present NYSPHSAA awards during NYSPHSAA State Championships award ceremonies.
  - i. Discussion regarding this. Some in favor, some like an MVP award. Additional talking points are about consistency across the sports.
- Consideration of approval to amend NYSPHSAA Football Rule 10.08.1. **Yes**
- Consideration of approval to amend Bowling Rule #9 in the NYSPHSAA Handbook. **Yes**

- Consideration of approval to amend Bowling Rule #5.08, #4 in the NYSPHSAA Handbook regarding Baker Tournaments. **Yes**
- Consideration of approval to implement a shot clock in the sport of Girls Lacrosse. **Yes**
- Consideration of approval to revise 11.08 #4 in the NYSPHSAA Handbook to “Girls Golf – Point of Emphasis, coaches may coach their athletes during their round.” - **TBD**

**7. Officials Report – Walentuk – Staves, Larrow**

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- **Spring Assignors:**

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| ○ Bill Wrisley | Outdoor T & F | <a href="mailto:wrizzz@wriznet.us">wrizzz@wriznet.us</a>         |
| ○ Tom Ramsay   | BB & SB South | <a href="mailto:tommyramsay@yahoo.com">tommyramsay@yahoo.com</a> |
| ○ Paul Lamoy   | BB & SB North | <a href="mailto:pdlamoy@verizon.net">pdlamoy@verizon.net</a>     |

**8. Other**

**9. Adjournment - Myers, Harrica**

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**NEXT MEETING**

**TUESDAY, APRIL 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2020**