



Executive Committee Minutes

January 31, 2022

Zoom Meeting

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Voting Members	Representative
President, Southern Westchester Superintendent	Dr. Marc Baiocco
1 st Vice President, Principal Rep	James Mackin
2 nd Vice President, Athletic Director	Joe Sigillo
Dutchess Superintendent	Dr. Dwight Bonk
Putnam/Northern Westchester Superintendent / Liaison	Anthony DiCarlo
Rockland Superintendent	Dr. Kris Felicello
Southern Westchester Superintendent	Richard Calkins
Southern Westchester BOCES Superintendent	Dr. Harold Coles
At-Large Athletic Director	Michael Cring
Conference I	Matt Cameron
Conference II	Roman Catalino
Conference III	Denise Kiernan
Non-Voting Members	Representative
Executive Director, CIA/Treasurer	Todd Santabarbara
Assistant Director, CIA/Assistant Treasurer	Jesse Merchant
Recording Secretary	Stacy Chimento
Guests	Representative
Legal Counsel	Stephanie Roebuck

I. Call Meeting to Order

Meeting was called to order at 10:04am

II. Approval of the Agenda

(A) Consider approval of the agenda

Motion to approve the agenda: Bonk / Baiocco

Carried: Aye=9 Nay=0 Abstention=0

III. Approval of the Minutes

(A) Consider approval of the **November 22, 2021** Executive Committee Meeting minutes

Motion to approve the November 22, 2021 minutes: Baiocco / Sigillo

Carried: Aye=9 Nay=0 Abstention=0

IV. Executive Session

Motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss legal matters / request for officials' reinstatement:

Kiernan / Sigillo

Carried: Aye=10 Nay=0 Abstention=0

Motion to reenter Public Session: Cring / Sigillo

Carried: Aye=12 Nay=0 Abstention=0

V. Treasurer's Report

(A) Consider approval of the Treasurer's Report

- *Current Cash Balance: \$855,716.95*
- *Current Reserve Fund Balance: \$46,261.13*

Motion to approve the treasurer's report: Cameron / Baiocco

Carried: Aye=11 Nay=0 Abstention=0

VI. Officer's Reports: President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President

- *Baiocco - Spoke with Dr. Zayas regarding the language recently released by the DOH related to extracurricular activities. In theory, a student can take a period 8/9 PE class and then cannot go to practice 15 minutes later if they are identified as an exposure. The Lower Hudson Council of School Superintendents is taking an active stance on making sure the language is amended.*
- *Mackin - No report*
- *Sigillo - No report*

VII. Section One Update

(I) Alignment Ballot Vote Results **(Approved)**

Yes – 42; No – 15

(I) Proposed Amendments to the Constitution - Ballot Vote Results

(Requires 2/3 of entire voting membership for adoption)

Results	NYSPHSAA Executive Committee	Appointment to Office	Student Eligibility	Standing Committee Bylaws
YES	59	36	32	56
NO	0	23	27	3
Total	59	59	59	59
	Approved	Defeated	Defeated	Approved

(I) Section One Basketball & Ice Hockey Championships – Open Tournament

- *Athletic Council recently adopted a proposal to open the tournament and eliminate any qualifying standards in the sport of Basketball and Ice Hockey for the upcoming winter championships.*

(I) NYSPHSAA Girls Flag Football – Pilot Program, Spring 2022

- *NYSPHSAA and the NY Giants have selected Section One to participate in a Girls Flag Football pilot program this spring. 8-9 schools have expressed interest and will receive grant money from the NY Giants and NIKE for equipment and uniforms.*

(I) Championship Branding Initiative / Exclusive Merchandise Vendor – Spring 2022

- *The goal of the branding initiative is to enhance the championship experience for student athletes and school communities. The Finance Committee is in the process of reviewing 6-7 different proposals to consider and will make a recommendation to the Athletic Council*

VIII. New Membership Applications

- Hudson Lab School (K-8)
- Montfort Academy

IX. Budget Development - Proposed Budget 2022-23

(D) Consider approval of the proposed 2022-23 Section One, Inc. budget

- Trial Balance – Ending August 2020 vs. August 2021
 - Budget Planning Worksheet
 - Preliminary P & L – Fall 2021
- *Various budget planning materials were included in the meeting packet.*

X. NYSPHSAA Update – NYSPHSAA Executive Committee Meeting, February 2, 2022

(I) Six Classification Proposal – NYSPHSAA Ad-Hoc Classification Committee

- *Two of the three Conference's did not support the six-classification proposal. Our male and female AD reps will vote accordingly.*

(I) NYSPHSAA State Championship COVID Protocols (updated)

- Cheerleading - RIT (venue-imposed vaccination requirement)
 - Boys Basketball & Wrestling (NYSDOH large gathering – vaccination or test-out requirement)
- *NYSPHSAA released their most recent state championship Covid protocols and have amended the language due to an issue at a recent post-season football game in Buffalo.*
 - *Included in the packet is a response from Dr. Zayas regarding the venue-imposed vaccination requirement for RIT.*
 - *Wrestling and Boys Basketball will be subject to the NYS DOH large gathering limits and will require vaccinations or testing requirement to enter.*
 - *Concerns have been expressed by the membership regarding the vaccination requirements being imposed on the athletes at RIT. Our state reps will bring this up as a sectional concern. Section One is in favor of the most least restrictive environment.*

XI. Self-Reports

(I) Violation of exceeding individual contest limitations – Bronxville, Girls Indoor Track & Field

- *At a recent track meet, several Bronxville athletes exceeded the number of events allowed in one day. In accordance with the NYSPHSAA penalty, the events the athletes participated in were forfeited which impacted the outcome of the League Championship meet.*

(I) Use of an ineligible player – Yonkers Montessori Academy, Girls Basketball

- *The YMA Girls Basketball team utilized an ineligible player that was subject to the transfer rule. The athlete participated in two contests. In accordance with the prescribed NYSPHSAA penalty, both contests have been recorded as forfeits and the athlete is not eligible to compete this year.*

XII. Appeals: N/A

XIII. General Action/Discussion/Information Items (Proposals)

Sponsorships:

- (A)** Consider approval of Gipper as a Section One sponsor for the next three years

Motion to approve Gipper as a Section One sponsor for the next three years: Cameron / Sigillo

Carried: Aye=12 Nay=0 Abstention=0

- *Discussion: Any Section One school that signs on will receive a 10% discount. Gipper will not extend the discount to those who signed on prior to Section One's commitment.*

(D) Consideration of the following TPG sponsors: Swaney Performance Gloves and Hospital Special Surgery

- *Discussion: No concerns expressed regarding these potential sponsors.*

Contracts / Engagement Letters:

- (A)** Consider approval of the **Eclipse Gymnastics Center** contract for the Gymnastics Championships

Motion to approve the Eclipse Gymnastic Center contract for the Gymnastics Championships:

Catalino / Baiocco

Carried: Aye=12 Nay=0 Abstention=0

- (A)** Consider approval of the **Hunter Mountain** contract for the Ski Championships

Motion to approve the Hunter Mountain contract for the Ski Championships: Kiernan / Bonk

Carried: Aye=11 Nay=0 Abstention=0

XIV. Sport Action/Discussion Items (Proposals): N/A

XV. Standing Committee Action/Discussion Items (Proposals)

Championship Committee:

- (A)** Consider approval of the amended **Winter 2021-22** tournament plans and championship venues
(Included in packet)

- *Yorktown has expressed interest in hosting the Section 1 Basketball Championships. Manhattan College has also expressed interest in hosting, however, they are subject to the NYC vaccination requirement. The Championships Committee and Sport Chairs recommend that if the NYC / venue-imposed Covid restrictions are lifted prior to the tournament brackets being released the Committee would explore moving the tournament to Manhattan College. If there are no changes prior to the release of the brackets, the Basketball Championships will be hosted at Yorktown HS.*

Motion to approve the amended Winter 2021-22 tournament plans to include basketball, fencing, skiing and wrestling at the recommended sites: Bonk / Cring

Carried: Aye=11 Nay=0 Abstention=0

(A) Consider approval of the amended **Spring 2022** tournament plans and championship venues

Motion to approve the amended Spring 2022 tournament plans and championship venues:

Baiocco / Kiernan

Carried: Aye=12 Nay=0 Abstention=0

Finance Committee:

(A) Consider approval of the Standard Rate of Pay wrestling amendments for the 2021-22 school year

Motion to approve the standard rate of pay wrestling amendments for the 2021-22 school year:

Cring / Cameron

Carried: Aye=12 Nay=0 Abstention=0

XVI. Conference Reports

- *Conference 1 – Concerns around the number of schools that did not submit the alignment ballot vote. A letter should go out to the superintendents and schools that have not voted. The list of schools should be given to the conference presidents.*
- *Conference 2 - No report*
- *Conference 3 - No report*

XVII. Old Business

XVIII. New Business

XIX. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Coles / Cameron

Carried: Aye=12 Nay=0 Abstention=0