



Executive Committee Agenda

November 21, 2022

| Voting Members | Representative |
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| President, Principal | Jim Mackin |
| 1 st Vice President, Athletic Director | Joe Sigillo |
| 2 nd Vice President, Superintendent | Dr. Marc Baiocco |
| Dutchess Superintendent | Dr. Dwight Bonk |
| Putnam/Northern Westchester Superintendent | Dr. Jeremy Luft (<i>Absent</i>) |
| Rockland Superintendent | Dr. Kris Felicello (<i>Absent</i>) |
| Southern Westchester Superintendent | Chris Borsari (<i>Absent</i>) |
| Southern Westchester Superintendent | Richard Calkins (<i>Absent</i>) |
| Southern Westchester BOCES Superintendent | Dr. Harold Coles (<i>via Phone</i>) |
| At-Large Athletic Director | Michael Cring |
| Conference I | Matt Cameron |
| Conference II | Chris Galano |
| Conference III | Denise Kiernan |
| Non-Voting Members | Representative |
| Executive Director, CIA/Treasurer | Todd Santabarbara |
| Assistant Director, CIA/Assistant Treasurer | Jesse Merchant |
| Recording Secretary | <i>Vacant</i> |
| NYSPHSAA Superintendent Rep | Anthony DiCarlo (<i>Absent</i>) |
| Guests | Representative |
| None | |

I. Call Meeting to Order

Meeting was called to order at 10:15am

II. Approval of the Agenda

(A) Consider approval of the agenda

Motion to approve the agenda: Kiernan / Baiocco

Carried: Aye=9 Nay=0 Abstention=0

III. Approval of the Minutes

(A) Consider approval of the **October 6, 2022** Executive Committee meeting minutes

Motion to approve the October 6, 2022 Executive Committee meeting minutes: Bonk / Kiernan

Carried: Aye=7 Nay=0 Abstention=2

IV. Treasurer's Report

(A) Consider approval of the Financial Report

- Cash balance: \$812,892.15
- Reserve fund balance: \$79,527.97

Motion to approve the financial report: Biaocco / Bonk

Carried: Aye=9 Nay=0 Abstention=0

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

President – *no report*

1st Vice President – *no report*

2nd Vice President – *no report*

VI. Section One Update

(I/D) Seasonal Dual Sport Participation – Ballot Vote Results

Defeated: Yes – 34; No – 40

Discussion:

Todd Santabarbara thanked the Conference Presidents for their hard work and commitment to working with districts to encourage those that had not previously submitted votes to cast their vote. This ballot vote had 74 out of 77 possible ballots cast.

(I) Football Scheduling Philosophy (2023-24)

Discussion:

Todd Santabarbara discussed the growing number of teams that are declaring independent status as a source of concern to the membership. Sport Chairs, schedulers and ADs were in attendance at a recent meeting held to explore an approach that would be in the best interest of Section One Football. Chris Borsari openly wondered if there has ever been consideration for pulling out of the state championship tournament. There was discussion around the misapplication of BEDS as an indicator of the ability for a community to compete.

(I) NYSPHSAA / Section 1 Start Dates (2023-24, 2024-25, 2025-26) – **Approved**

VII. NYSPHSAA Update

(I) Approved agenda items from the October 19th and November 1st NYSPHSAA Executive Committee meeting

Discussion:

Todd Santabarbara discussed a range of NYSPHSAA Executive Committee agenda items:

- 6 Classifications – *Approved for the sports of Soccer, Volleyball, Basketball, Softball & Baseball*
 - NYSPHSAA Ad Hoc Committee – *Examination of the parity between championship opportunities between NYS and other states.*
 - *Schools may be in various classifications across sports*
 - *May have budgetary impacts*
 - *Classifications:*
 - AAA – 75 largest schools across the state*
 - AA-C – evenly distributed*
 - D – 100 smallest schools across the state*

(I) Update from Dr. Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA Executive Director

- *Slight change to member dues over the next three years*
- *Spalding ball adoption – NYSPHSAA staff has been putting together an RFP*
- *NYSPHSAA is in the process of starting:*
 - *DEI sub committee*
 - *Charter school placement – sub committee*

VIII. Self-Reports: N/A

IX. Appeals

Todd Santabarbara shared updates on the status of the following appeals:

- *Roy C. Ketcham HS – Transfer & Eligibility Health & Safety
Section decision upheld by NYSPHSAA Appeal Panel*
- *The Ursuline School – Duration of Competition, Extended Eligibility
Commissioner upheld Section decision and denied request for a Stay*
- *Rye Neck HS – Football placement for 2023-24
Athletic Council denied appeal based upon language within the alignment document which
requires you to compete within BEDS placement*

X. Preliminary Budget Development

(D) Consideration of the proposed budget for the 2023-24 school year

- *Sport-specific P & L reports (2021-22)*
- *Trial balance comparison*
- *Organizational growth plan – data collection*
- *Proposed budget development – office fee, section fee and officials*

Discussion:

Todd Santabarbara presented the proposed budget for the 2023-24 school year. The Executive Committee reviewed P&L reports for each sport.

The Executive Committee discussed the importance of addressing the issue of the loss of revenue for certain sports, specifically Indoor and Outdoor Track & Field Championships and Boys & Girls Swimming. The Committee also discussed the possible implementation of a per person or by car general admission fee for either Class Meets or the State Qualifier.

The Committee would like to further examine a year-to-year examination of P&L reports for sports. Discussion arose around the SWBOCES Office Fees and Section Fees and the impact of adding a sixth classification at the state level.

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

Appointments:

(A) Consider approval of the Ice Hockey EMT Assignors for the 2022-2023 season

- *Carol Cosenza – Rockland*
- *Khalil Saleh – Southern Westchester*
- *Bill Wiegelman – Putnam/Northern Westchester*

Motion to approve the Ice Hockey ATC/EMT assignors: Cameron / Kiernan

Carried: Aye=8 Nay=0 Abstention=0

- (A) Consider approval of Dan Doherty (Armory) and Jeff Dempsey (RCC) as Indoor Track & Field Coordinators

Motion to approve the appointment of Dan Doherty & Jeff Dempsey as Indoor Track & Field Coordinators for the 2022-23 Indoor Track & Field Season: Sigillo / Cring

Carried: Aye=8 Nay=0 Abstention=0

- (A) Consider approval of the Section One certified officials contract negotiation team

Motion to approve the Section One officials contract negotiating team: Biaocco / Cameron

Carried: Aye=8 Nay=0 Abstention=0

Contracts / Engagement Letters:

- (A) Consider approval of the **Rockland Community College** facility use contract for 2022-23 school year and authorization for the Executive Director to execute on behalf of Section One

Motion to approve the Rockland Community College contract for the 2022-23 SY: Kiernan / Sigillo

Carried: Aye=8 Nay=0 Abstention=0

- (A) Consider approval of the **Ocean Breeze** contract for the 2022-23 school year and authorization for the Executive Director to execute on behalf of Section One

Motion to approve the Ocean Breeze contract for the 2022-23 SY: Cring / Bonk

Carried: Aye=8 Nay=0 Abstention=0

- (A) Consider approval of the **Mark Twain (YMA)** facility use contract for the 2022-23 school year and authorization for the Executive Director to execute on behalf of Section One

Motion to approve the Mark Twain (YMA) facility contract for the 2022-23 SY: Bonk / Kiernan

Carried: Aye=8 Nay=0 Abstention=0

- (A) Consider approval of the amended **Fulton Accurate Timing** agreement for the indoor and outdoor track and field championships and authorization for the Executive Director to execute on behalf of Section One

Motion to approve the Fulton Accurate Timing contract for the 2022-23 SY: Kiernan / Cameron

Carried: Aye=8 Nay=0 Abstention=0

Policy: N/A

XII. Membership Concerns

XIII. Standing Committee Action/Discussion Items (Proposals)

Championship Committee:

- (A) Consider approval of the **Winter 2022-23** tournament plans and championship venues

Discussion:

Todd Santabarbara discussed the tournament plans and venues for the Winter 2022-23 Championships. The Championship Committee is interested in encouraging multiyear bids for non-school based venues moving forward to assist in planning our championship events.

The Committee has also proposed a contingency plan for the sport of Basketball. It was recommended by the Championship Committee that by the time of the January 30th, 2023 Executive Committee meeting a decision would be made regarding a venue. The Executive Committee discussed whether this would provide enough time for host schools to prepare for the event.

Motion to approve the Winter 2022-23 tournament plans and championship venues: Kiernan / Galano
Carried: Aye=9 Nay=0 Abstention=0

Finance Committee

(D) Consideration to amend the Section 1 championship ticket price for all attendees (onsite vs. online)

Discussion:

Todd Santabarbara shared championship tournament ticket pricing from the ten other Sections around the state. Todd discussed the need to amend the Section 1 Championship ticket price to one standard general admission price. Todd also reviewed the impact of the NYS Transparency Bill and the impact on our online ticketing platform. The Finance Committee identified a desire to continue to reduce cash at the gate and consider adjusting the onsite cost to be higher than the online cost because it may have deterred people from purchasing online. Further discussion involved identifying an age of which children would be free.

Motion to move to action and approve one general admission price of \$8.00: Galano / Cring
Carried: Aye=8 Nay=0 Abstention=0

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

XV. Merger/Combining of Teams:

(A) Consider approval of mergers for the 2022-23 school year (*see attached list*)

Motion to approve the 2022-23 mergers: Sigillo / Galano
Carried: Aye=7 Nay=0 Abstention=0

(D) Merger / Combining of Teams Committee Presentation

Discussion:

Jesse Merchant reviewed the current discussions at the committee level in preparation for the presentation to the Athletic Council and Executive Committee. The requirement to report all mergers to the NYPSHSAA office was underscored by the increased impact of mergers on the new six classification breakdown for some sports.

XVI. New Membership Applications: N/A

XVII. Proposed Amendments to Section One Constitution: N/A

XVIII. Old Business

- RFP for sports security firm for Section championship events
- Restriction on game changes after the initial officials' assignments – feedback from Superintendents
- Officials' recruitment initiative via BOCES Adult Education program

XIX. New Business

XX. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Cameron / Kiernan
Carried: Aye=7 Nay=0 Abstention=0

Next Meeting: January 30, 2022, 10:00am at SWBOCES