

**ORANGE COUNTY INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
ATHLETIC DIRECTORS WORKSHOP
TUESDAY, MAY 22, 2012
ORANGE-ULSTER BOCES, CARL P. OKEN CONFERENCE ROOM C**

All members were present except:

Mr. Adam Kless, Burke Catholic High School
Mr. Bill Spanjer, Chapel Field Christian School
Mr. Carlton Williams, Family Foundation School
Jack Mager, Newburgh Free Academy
Derek Adams, Tri-Valley High School

Guest Present: Mr. Kirk Wareham, Athletic Director, The Mount Academy

The OCIAA Athletic Directors Workshop was called to order at 9:40 a.m.

1. Approval of Minutes of last meeting on April 24, 2012.
Motion to approve the minutes of the April 24, 2012 Athletic Directors Workshop was made by Mr. Tim Bult (Fallsburg) second by Mr. John Landro (Tuxedo). All were in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Doug Murphy, OCIAA President, introduced Mr. Kirk Wareham, Athletic Director and welcomed The Mount Academy as a new member to Section IX beginning July 1, 2012.

2. OCIAA President's Report – Mr. Doug Murphy

Mr. Doug Murphy, OCIAA President, reported on Section IX Athletics and discussed changing the language to state the larger school before the smaller school when combining merged teams to become the larger classification. Motion to approve was made by Mr. Fred Ahart (Roscoe) second by Ms. Kelly Doherty (Eldred). Questions were asked and discussion was made. All were in favor. Motion carried.

3. OCIAA Athletic Coordinator Report – Mr. James Osborne

Items of Concern:

A. NYSPHSAA Updates

B. NYSPHSAA Spring Meeting Report

Mr. James Osborne, OCIAA Athletic Coordinator, discussed the NYSPHSAA Executive Committee Meeting held on May 4-5, 2012 at Lake George, New York. He reviewed the highlights from reports made by Ms. Nina Van Erk, Executive Director and the Assistant Directors of NYSPHSAA. The action items from NYSPHSAA that were approved or sent back to the Sections for discussion was reviewed. Refer to handouts in folder. Mr. Osborne stated Cheerleading has been approved for one year for an East & West Cheerleading Invitational. The minutes from the NYSPHSAA Cheerleading Meeting and the requirements for Cheerleading as a competitive event were reviewed and discussed. Mr. Osborne stated information on Cheerleading will be forwarded to Athletic Directors as soon as it is received from NYSPHSAA.

The NYSPHSAA Modified Athletics Committee Report from the Spring 2012 Meeting, 2012-2013 NYSPHSAA Championship Dates and Sites, and Classification Cut-off Numbers Report for the 2013-2014 school year were reviewed and are included in the folder.

Mr. Osborne reviewed the NYSED Physical Education and Athletics Update. Information on new guidelines will be forthcoming for the Concussion Management Law that goes into effect on July 1, 2012.

Mr. Osborne stated the NYSPHSAA Safety Committee voted against the Nights Rest for Football. Section IX had previously voted against the nights rest for football. The Safety Committee's recommendation for the minimum weight certification program was reviewed. Information is included in the folder on Heat Acclimatization and Heat Illness Prevention.

Faith Christian Academy has been approved as a full registration school district by the State Education Department. Motion made by Mr. Tim Bult (Fallsburg) second by Mr. John Landro (Tuxedo) to approve Faith Christian School as a Friend and Neighbor of Section IX Athletics. All were in favor. Motion carried.

OCIAA is not in favor of Varsity and Modified Track to be held on the same day and same site.

Mr. Osborne stated Ms. Nina Van Erk is retiring as Executive Director of NYSPHSAA. Mr. Doug Murphy asked for recommendations from the athletic directors for recognizing her retirement. As of September 1, 2012 Ms. Van Erk will become the Executive Director of Section VIII Athletics. Mr. Murphy announced Mr. James Osborne has been nominated as 2nd Vice President of NYSPHSAA.

The Participation Survey is available online at www.nysphsaa.org The deadline to submit is May 31, 2012. Instructions for submitting your school district information is included in the folder.

Congratulations to James I. O'Neill High School as this year's Section IX selection for the Community Service Challenge Award.

Mr. Osborne reported there may be changes in the classifications set by NYSPHSAA for 2013-2014. It appears Track and Field and Wrestling will not have changes.

C. OCIAA Scholar-Athlete Breakfast for 2011-2012 – April 25, 2012

Very good comments were given. Discussion for next year was made. Washingtonville will provide the color guard and Middletown will arrange for the Nation Anthem singer. A keynote speaker will be needed.

D. Mergers for 2012-2013

Fallsburg and Tri-Valley will merge in Girls and Boys Alpine Skiing, Girls Tennis and Boys Tennis. F.D.R. and Rhinebeck will merge in Football (all levels). Mergers will be finalized at the June 12, 2012 Section IX Meeting.

E. Spring 2012 OCIAA Championships

The OCIAA Championships are near completion. The Section IX Championship schedule was reviewed. Rainouts and rescheduling was discussed.

F. Fiscal Concerns for 2012-2013

All Orange County schools budgets passed. Added and dropped programs for the alignments were discussed. Mr. Osborne asked for confirmation of teams by the athletic directors.

G. Winter Schedules for 2012-2013

The OCIAA Scheduling Committee met and approved the winter schedules for 2012-2013. The recommendations for changes in classifications for non-public schools have been submitted by the Classification Committee for approval by the Section IX Athletic Council at the next meeting.

Motion made by Mr. Ron Montalto (Minisink) second by Mrs. Debbie Crowe (O'Neill) to approve the OCIAA winter sports schedules for 2012-2013. All were in favor. Motion carried.

4. Old Business

Mr. Jared Kahmar (Port Jervis) asked for a clarification in the Freshman Football program. Mr. Osborne stated Section IX schools may possibly team up with Section I schools. The Football Committee will discuss this further.

5. New Business

Mr. Michael Bellarosa, OCIAA Track and Field Chairperson (Valley Central) thanked the Warwick Valley Central School District for hosting the OCIAA Track and Field Championship on May 18 and 19, 2012.

Mr. Osborne explained Selection Classification will become Advanced Athletic Placement and the process of grandfathering in the testing in June to be approved for the fall season. Other changes and School District Board of Education policies will need to be reviewed.

Mr. Osborne announced June 8, 2012 the Section IX Boys Lacrosse All-Stars will play the Irish Federation Team at Faller Field, Middletown High School. Saturday, June 9, 2012 is the NYSPHSAA Boys Lacrosse Championship at Faller Field, Middletown High School.

Mr. David Coates announced a Varsity Volleyball Multi-Scrimmage at Middletown on August 31, 2012 for the first ten teams that apply. A registration form was given out.

Meeting Materials in Folder

- ❖ NYSPHSAA Executive Committee Meeting Highlights from May 4-5, 2012
- ❖ NYSPHSAA Committee for Modified Athletics Report

Meeting Materials in Folder (continued)

- ❖ NYSED Physical Education and Athletics Update
- ❖ NYSPHSAA Safety Committee Report
- ❖ 2012-2013 NYSPHSAA Championship Dates/Sites
- ❖ NYSPHSAA Classification Cut-Off Numbers
- ❖ Heat Acclimatization and Heat Illness Prevention Position Statement
- ❖ Sports Participation Survey
- ❖ NYSPHSAA Cheerleading Meeting Minutes
- ❖ NYSPHSAA Cheerleading Sponsored Event – Tentative Draft
- ❖ Section IX Sports Dues Form for 2012-2013
- ❖ Girls and Boys Soccer Officials Preferred Lists for 2012 Season
- ❖ Summer 2012 Coaching Courses Schedule
- ❖ Section IX End of Year Meeting and Golf Outing – June 12, 2012
- ❖ Basketball Coaches Association Golf Tournament Registration Form
- ❖ Coaching Certificates
- ❖ Billing Memorandums

6. The next Athletic Directors Workshop is Tuesday, June 19, 2012 at Orange-Ulster BOCES, Carl P. Onken Conference Center, Room B & C at 9:30 a.m.

The next Section IX Athletic Council Meeting is Tuesday, June 12, 2012 at Thomas Bull Memorial Park, Route 416, Hamptonburgh, NY at 8:00 a.m.

7. Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. John Landro (Tuxedo), second by Mr. Tim Bult (Fallsburg). All were in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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