

**ORANGE COUNTY INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
ATHLETIC DIRECTORS WORKSHOP
TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2013
ORANGE-ULSTER BOCES, CARL P. ONKEN CONFERENCE CENTER, ROOM B/C**

All members were present except: Mr. Bill Spanjer, Chapel Field Christian School
Mr. Carlton Williams, Family Foundation School
Mr. Thomas Heinzelman, Goshen
Mr. Tim Bult, Fallsburg
Mr. Ron Montalto, Monroe-Woodbury
Mr. Kirk Wareham, The Mount Academy
Mr. Derek Adams, Tri-Valley

Associate Members Present: Mr. Chris Radon, Greenwood Lake

The OCIAA Athletic Directors Workshop was called to order at 9:43 a.m.

1. Approval of Minutes of last meeting
Motion to approve the minutes of the April 2, 2013 Athletic Directors Workshop was made by Mr. Jack Mager (Newburgh) second by Mr. Mike Kroemer (Cornwall). All were in favor.
Motion carried.

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

Mr. Doug Murphy, OCIAA President, reported on the OCIAA Executive Committee A/B Superintendent Representative vacancy. Mr. Murphy asked if there are any recommendations for a candidate to please submit the information to the Athletic Coordinator's Office.

Mr. Murphy reviewed the Section VIII Nassau County modified baseball pitch count rule and the current NYSPHSAA modified pitching guidelines. The OCIAA Athletic Directors discussed they support the NYSPHSAA guidelines.

Action items were reviewed and discussed. The OCIAA Athletic Directors approved the following from a majority show of hands.

1. Waiver of promotion rule for track and field meets, similar to swimming and diving.
2. Flexibility with student transfers after normal tryout period.
3. Stick-checking in girls' lacrosse.

The OCIAA Athletic Directors did not approve the following action items:

4. Modified athletes in track and field are allowed only rubber soled shoes. All members were not in favor.
5. Allow the three-point shot in modified basketball. A show of hands resulted in 7 Yes 11 No.

Section IX Report

The Highland Residential Center has applied for membership to NYSPHSAA and Section IX.

Mr. Jack Mager (Newburgh) announced Valley Central and NFA are playing JV and varsity baseball at Dutchess Stadium on April 29, 2013. Mr. Mager discussed the stadium is not charging for the use of the facility but, they are charging admission of \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for students. The contract agreement with the facility was discussed.

Mr. Murphy reported a Baseball All-Star game between Section I and Section IX is being discussed. The teams would be comprised of players from schools that are not in the playoffs. All athletic directors agreed it is a good idea to promote Section IX Baseball.

Motion made by Mr. Glen Maisch (Kingston) second by Mr. Greg Sirico (Warwick) to approve the appointment of Mr. Joe Cahill to replace Mr. Steve Loturco as Section IX Girls Cross Country Chairperson. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mr. Michael Kroemer (Cornwall) second by Ms. Jolene Porter (Eldred) to approve range finders in boys' golf for OCIAA and Section IX only if approved by NYSPHSAA and Section IX for use in championship play. All were in favor. Motion carried.

3. OCIAA Athletic Coordinator's Report – Mr. James Osborne

Items of Concern:

A. April 2013 NYSPHSAA News

Mr. James Osborne, OCIAA Athletic Coordinator, stated Mr. Robert Zayas, Executive Director of NYSPHSAA, attended the Section IX Meeting on April 16, 2013. He discussed Concussion Management. Mr. Zayas reported NYSPHSAA is concerned about the mixed competition policy. NYSPHSAA is reviewing award equity for all sports. A Time Warner contract is being implemented for media coverage of State and Regional Championships.

Motion made by Mr. Doug Murphy (Monticello) second by Mr. John Landro (Tuxedo) to approve the request by the Cheerleading Committee for NYSPHSAA to ask the New York State Education Department to recognize Cheerleading as a sport for 2013-2014. A show of hands resulted in two opposed and all others in favor. The motion was carried.

Motion made by Mr. John Wilhelm (Liberty) second by Mr. Doug Murphy (Monticello) to support if the New York State Education Department does not move forward with the NYSPHSAA request then the Cheerleading Committee requests the NYSPHSAA Central Committee to vote to approve Cheerleading as a sport using the recommended guidelines from the Cheerleading Committee. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mr. Doug Murphy (Monticello) second by John Wilhelm (Liberty) to support the request for the NYSPHSAA Executive Committee to approve the NYSPHSAA East-West Cheerleading Competition for 2013-2014. All were in favor. Motion carried.

B. OCIAA Scholar Athlete 2012-2013 on April 24, 2013
The OCIAA Scholar Athlete Award Breakfast will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m. Athletic Directors were emailed their seating chart.

C. Combining of Teams (Mergers)
The application form that will be used for merger requests is included in the folder. This information will also be available on the Section IX website under FORMS.

Motion made by Mr. John Landro (Tuxedo) second by Mr. Jack Mager (Newburgh) to approve the merger of Roscoe Central Schools and Downsville Central School District (Section IV) for all levels of football in the 2013 season, pending a Downsville Board of Education approval letter and completed application supplied by the Roscoe School District. All were in favor. Motion carried.

D. Spring 2013 Championships – OCIAA and Section IX
Dates and sites for championships were confirmed.

E. Winter Schedules for 2013-2014
The schedules are online to review.

4. Old Business
None was reported.

5. New Business
Announcements:

- Warwick is adding JV girls' tennis back into their schedules.
- Middletown is adding boys and girls golf for 2013-2014 if the budget passes.
- Kingston needs varsity and JV volleyball games for the fall 2013.
- Greenwood Lake is looking to add a modified baseball game. Contact Mr. Chris Radon if interested.
- Mr. Michael Kroemer, Section IX Representative to NYSAAA, discussed a coin raffle for NYSAAA. See Mr. Kroemer for details.

Ms. Jolene Porter, Awards Chairperson (Eldred) discussed the Dr. William Moran Award. Motion made by Mr. Doug Murphy (Monticello) second by Mr. John Landro (Tuxedo) to nominate Mr. Ron Montalto as the 2013 award recipient for the Dr. William Moran Award. All were in favor. Motion carried.

In Your Folder:

- Major Paul C. Volke Memorial Scholarship Fund Run on June 9, 2013 Registration Form
- Jim Ross Service Awards 2012-2013
- Preseason Heat-Acclimatization Guidelines for Secondary School Athletics
- 2013-2014 OCIAA Calendar
- Army Girls Soccer Camp
- Coaching Certificates
- Rating Forms
- Billing Memorandums

6. The next Athletic Directors Workshop is Tuesday, May 21, 2013 at Orange-Ulster BOCES, Carl P. Onken Conference Center, Room B & C at 9:30 a.m.

The next Section IX Meeting is Wednesday, May 15, 2013 at Mt. St. Mary College, Hudson Hall Auditorium, beginning at 9:30 a.m.

7. Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. John Landro (Tuxedo) second by Mr. Glen Maisch (Kingston). All were in favor. The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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